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AGREEMENT SEEMS UNLIKELY.

CHIANG PLANS ANOTHER CAMPAIGN.

HANKOW AND PEKING ALSO MAKE PREPARATIONS.

SHANGHAI GETS APOLOGY.

There is still a lull in the fighting between the North and South, but in connexion with the prospective conclusion of an understanding between the leaders of the armies, an interesting report is to hand from Nanking which states that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek is holding a military conference there preparatory to embarking on the fourth phase of the Northern Expedition—the domination of Shantung and Chihli. This is at variance with earlier messages which stated that he had entertained emissaries of the North.

From Hankow comes news that the "Reds" are preparing for another drive against the Fengtien forces, whilst it is known that Marshal Chang Tso-lin is reorganising his dispositions. The failure of the North and South negotiations is not unlikely.

At Shanghai, the Chinese General whose troops were responsible for the firing at yachts recently has sent a written apology to the British Consul General. Shanghai is quiet, as are most of the Yangtze ports.

Interesting reports from Canton state that the Anti-"Red" expedition is preparing to advance into Hunan (presumably against the Wuhan party) and the forces to be used will consist partly of Kwangsi troops which have been arriving in Kwangtung during the past few weeks.

CANTONESE EXPEDITION READY.

Shanghai, June 10. The anti-British feeling at Ningpo is developing but along the Yangtze everything is quiet. Naval Wireless.

YANGTZE REPORTS.

Hankow Again Prepares.

General Li Chung-yan, commander of the 7th army, the Kwangsi contingent, which is considered the best fighting force of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's army, arrived at Nanking yesterday to report on the military situation in Anhwei and on the Hsuehwei front. General Li was entertained by the Nanking Generalissimo at a big banquet in Army Headquarters.

Preparing for More.

The Nanking military authorities consider the capture of Hsuehwei and Hanchow to be the conclusion of the third stage of the northern expedition. The fourth stage will be the campaigns against Shantung and Chihli. Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has called a conference in Nanking to discuss plans for the fourth operation.

The Nanking Government has sent General Li Lich-chun to Fukien to officiate the ceremony of the inauguration of the new Fukien Provincial Government.

The general financial conference in Nanking will begin its session on the 15th inst., according to an announcement issued by Mr. Koo Ying-fan, the Finance Minister, yesterday. Delegates to the conference have been arriving from the provinces which are under now the Nanking jurisdiction.

A SHANGHAI APOLOGY.

For Firing on Yachts.

Shanghai, June 9. The British Consul-General, Sir Sidney Barton, has been handed a written apology from the Chinese commander of the troops who were responsible for the outrage on the Whangpoo River on May 29th, when in the course of a race, nine yachts, carrying ladies as well as men, were deliberately fired upon by Nationalist troops near Lunghua.

On June 4th, another yacht was fired on, but fire was returned on this occasion by a motorboat from the British side.

It is quiet, but the war generally is obscure. South while clear peace are acc further out in the event of any breaking

SHANSI'S ROLE.

YEN SHI-SHAN HOLDS
BALANCE.

THE RACE FOR PEKING.

The race for Peking is being run so fast and is so close to being won that one might be pardoned for perhaps prematurely reporting the victory, writes Mr. George E. Sokolsky in the N. C. Daily News. For it has ceased to be a race of armies, but has become a matter of talk and negotiation and provides another example of amazing possibilities in combinations and permutations in China. Roughly the combinations are as follows:

Pro-Soviet.—Tang Seng-chi, Chin. Yun-ao, Cheng Chien, and Feng Yu-hsiang.

Anti-Soviet.—Chiang Kai-shek, Yen Shih-shan, and Yang Yu-ting.

The Hankow Government must reach Peking first to remain a Government; otherwise, it is simply a municipal organization managing the cities of Wuchang and Hankow.

Whatever might be suggested about the brilliance of that Government the fact remains that it has lost control of any provinces which might have adhered to it last January. From a military standpoint, the success of General Chiang Kai-shek along the Tientsin-Pukow railway was disastrous to Hankow, and in spite of the fact that they should have had some sympathy for soldiers of the revolutionary army defeating the northern imperialist hordes, Hankow was hoping for a victory of the disreputable Shantung-Chihli army. These may not be in accordance with the high principles of the revolutionary masses, but it was tuchun politics of a very low type and Hankow, Comrade Borodin, and the running dogs of Soviet imperialism succumbed to it. In their anxiety to prevent General Chiang Kai-shek from reaching Peking, they were prepared to prolong tuchunism in Shantung by promising the province to that Joseph-coated general, Chin Yun-ao.

Success of Yen Shih-shan.

Their advance toward Peking was to be achieved by General Feng Yu-hsiang, who, with General Tang Seng-chi, is commander-in-chief of the Communist Army. The "Christian" general pushed down from Shansi to Honan and captured city after city with ease in a province which he knows well and which knows him from the days when he ruled over Honan and ordered silk clothes and cigarettes out of Kaifeng as devilish luxuries. He set up his headquarters in Kaifeng where once his favourite literature was read in the original by cotton traders from Antioch, and proceeded to prepare to march on Peking with the assistance of the most brilliant fence-rider in all of China, Governor Yen Shih-shan of Shansi.

An older Chinese once remarked that Yen Shih-shan must have lied to some one, for in the 15 years that he has held Shansi, he has been loyal to everyone at different times. He has been for and against every proposal and principle that has been suggested in the course of the Republic. He has been allied to every leader and to every group of leaders. And this is the main point—he has held his job longer than any other official in China, except Tang Chi-yao of Yunnan, who was similarly situated, and who has recently been reported to have died although it is more likely that he was laid to rest by one of the two mayors of the palace who have for two years or so been governing Yunnan in his name. Yen Shih-shan now re-emerges, the associate of Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang, but curiously enough he is opposed to Communism and to Soviet Russia; General Chang Hsueh-ling speaks to him as though he were the representative in the North of Chiang Kai-shek and asks him to mediate between them, and General Yang Yu-ting explains to him on what terms peace between Nanking and Mukden is possible. Furthermore, although Feng Yu-hsiang expected him to send an army to Kalgan to begin an invasion of Manchuria through Mongolia, he is discovered sending a force to the Kihnan Railway, where he corks up Feng Yu-hsiang's corridor between Kalgan and Peking.

There is nothing to report.

CANTON'S CAMPAIGN.

Anti-Red Forces Ready.

Canton, June 9.

Altogether four brigades of Kwangsi troops have come down to Canton to help in the anti-Red northern expedition, and the total number of these troops exceeds 10,000.

At present the 6th Kwangsi brigade is on the Hunan border, the 5th brigade is in Lokchong, the 4th brigade in Shikwan, and the 3rd brigade in Canton.

General Chien Ta-chun, the anti-Red field-marshal, has decided to send them all into Hunan to attack the Red army there. General Wang Shao-hung, the Kwangsi military chief, may go up to Hunan also to take command of the Kwangsi contingent of the expeditionary army.

The Kwangsi troops will attack Chunchow, on the Hunan-Kwangtung border, while the expeditionary force under General Chien Ta-chun attacks through the Pinghsiang-Chuchow railway from Kiangsi. The two forces expect to meet in Liling, and then advance towards Changsha.

An Ally.

General Chu Pei-teh, who has been dismissed by the Hankow government, has expressed his intention to join Marshal Chiang Kai-shek again. A larger part of General Chu's army has gone over to the Hankow side, and the remaining part of it now in Kiangsi is being reorganized by General Chu.

General Chu has sent a representative to Nanking by way of Canton to call on Marshal Chiang Kai-shek.—Nam Chung Pao.

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THE C.N.C. STRIKE THREAT.

DECISION RE-AFFIRMED IN
HONGKONG.

COMPANY KEEPS SILENT.

Four days have elapsed since the expiry of the ultimatum tendered by the deck officers and engineers of the China Navigation Company, and the Telegraph was informed, on enquiry this morning, that the Company has not replied accepting either of the alternatives offered.

It seems unlikely that a strike can be averted, unless some definite move is made by the Shanghai office within the next few days.

Meetings of the officers have been held in Hongkong and Shanghai this week, and at both gatherings, the decision to hold up the ships at midnight on June 29 was re-affirmed unanimously. If the strike does eventuate, all ships of the China Navigation Company fleet which are under way on June 29, will make for the nearest port, and will be tied up until an agreement is reached.

The dispute arises from the Company's action, two months ago, in reducing wages by ten per cent. A strike was threatened immediately, but the position of foreign residents on the Yangtze was serious, and Sir Sidney Barton prevailed upon the officers to continue on duty. Recently, through their respective guilds—the China Coast Officers' Guild and the Marine Engineers' Guild of China—the European officers issued a strike threat, offering the Company the alternatives of restoring the old rate of pay, and incidentally, refunding the amount already deducted, or of submitting the whole question to an impartial Court of Arbitration.

The Company has replied acknowledging receipt of the ultimatum, and noting the demands, but has taken no further action in the matter, up to the present.

LONG NON-STOP FLIGHT.

BRITISH ATTEMPT TO MAKE
NEW RECORD.

London, June 9.

The interest of British aviation circles is now centred in the prospect of a record being achieved by the Service pilots who will attempt this month, a non-stop aeroplane flight to Karachi, a distance of 4,100 miles.

It is regretted in the Press today that it was only the sheerest bad luck which prevented Lieutenants Carr and Gillman from succeeding in their similar attempt. It is understood authoritatively that the cause of their forced descent in the Persian Gulf was nothing more than an air-lock in the petrol pipe of the machine. It is stated that Lieutenant Carr will again act as pilot, while the navigation will be entrusted to Flight Lieutenant Harrison, at present on the staff at the Air Ministry. The chances of success are regarded by experts as very bright.—British Wireless.

ARMSTRONG'S LOSS.

RECONSTRUCTION SCHEME
CONSIDERED.

London, June 9.

A report showing a loss of over half a million sterling on the year's working, and foreshadowing proposals for the reconstruction of the company, was presented at the annual meeting of the Armstrong, Whitworth Company.

Mr. Frater Taylor, the vice-chairman, presiding, stated that conversations were being held with regard to closer working arrangements with Vickers, and also stated that the Board would be reconstructed to complete the scheme.

The management was considering the capital being written down considerably.

The report was carried.—Reuter.

OFFICER'S DEATH.

FOUND SHOT IN A
MOTOR CAR.

MANILA ARMY ENQUIRY.

Manila, June 4.—An investigation of the death of First Lieutenant Russel Yuckenberg, Quartermaster Corps, Philippine Scouts, will be started this morning by a board of officers appointed yesterday by Major General Fred W. Sladen.

Lieutenant Yuckenberg shot himself at about 7.10 a.m. yesterday, while seated in his automobile which he had parked not far from the quartermaster store, Port Area. He used a .38 calibre revolver and fired twice into his abdomen, the bullets passing just below the heart, and severing an artery. Both bullets passed out through his back and through the seat of his car. He was not found until 10.20 a.m.

A Filipino Scout soldier on duty in Port Area noticed blood streaming from the base of one of the doors in Lieutenant Yuckenberg's car. He immediately reported what he had seen to the quartermaster storekeeper. The latter walked to the car and found the lieutenant slumped down in the seat and with a pistol lying at his side. One of the lieutenant's hands was grasping the steering wheel of the car while the other was hanging at his side.

Despite the fact that he was suffering from a severe internal hemorrhage, Lieutenant Yuckenberg was conscious when found. He calmly told the quartermaster storekeeper that he had shot himself and asked for a drink of ice water. The water was brought him and an ambulance called. He was taken to Sternberg General Hospital where all efforts were made to save his life.

No Statement.

The lieutenant refused to make any statement relative to whatever motives he may have had for shooting himself. When asked if he had any last words to say, he requested that his body be cremated and the ashes thrown away.

He died at 1.20 p.m. yesterday. Various rumours concerning financial difficulties spread through army circles as the possible motive for Lieutenant Yuckenberg's action. As far as could be learned from authentic sources, the lieutenant had no financial responsibilities at the Port Area where he has been on duty, as assistant to Major Fred Damman.

Lieutenant Yuckenberg was 34 years old and a native of Ohio. He served in the regular army from 1911 until 1914 and during the World War he was with the Federalized forces of the National Guard. He received his commission in the Philippine Scouts in 1918 and has been on duty in the islands since that time. He was unmarried, and so far as is known had no relatives in the Philippines. The address of relatives in the United States is not known at Fort Santiago.

In Good Health.

A post mortem held yesterday afternoon revealed that Lieutenant Yuckenberg had enjoyed the best of health. According to the attending physicians at Sternberg General Hospital, he was a perfect man physically.

The mystery surrounding the self-inflicted death of Lieutenant Yuckenberg may be solved in a few days. The board of officers ordered to convene to-day was appointed at the request of Colonel William G. Gambrill, department quartermaster, made immediately after the lieutenant's death. As to a possible motive prompting the action of the lieutenant, Colonel Gambrill had but little to say when questioned yesterday. He remarked, however, that Yuckenberg had had no financial responsibilities in connexion with his duties for the past several months.

The board appointed to meet comprises of Major Thomas L. Gora, Medical Corps, president; Captain Louis Knight, Air Corps; and Captain Harold A. Barnes, Quartermaster Corps.

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HONGKONG'S POLICE RESERVE.

BIG RESPONSE FROM THE
CHINESE.

THE TRAINING SYSTEM.

Enquiries made this morning with regard to the recently inaugurated Special Police Reserve, show that about 70 men have so far been sworn in, and judging by the applications that are being received, it would seem that there will be little difficulty in obtaining the 300 men required.

It is proposed to organise companies of British, Chinese, Indian and Portuguese members of the community, and so far the greater response has come from Chinese. This is partly accounted for by the fact that there is no other opening for Chinese, whereas with regard to British Europeans and Portuguese, the Volunteer Defence Corps absorbs a large number. It will be remembered that only a short time ago a Portuguese Company was formed in connexion with the Volunteers, and this has depleted the number available for police service.

Chinese Going Ahead.

However, many applications are still being received, and as soon as sufficient men for each company have been sworn in, the movement will go ahead in all sections. So far the only company which is at present in actual operation is that for the Chinese, but it is expected that the other sections will commence active work and training in the near future.

The idea of the movement is that there shall be a trained, uniformed body of men ready to take their place alongside the regular police in the case of an emergency, but it is not intended that training shall be of too strenuous a character.

Each applicant must be prepared to swear in for a period of three years, and afterwards he will be required to qualify under three heads—ordinary elementary squad drill and rifle exercises, police duties, and rifle and pistol shooting.

Members are expected to qualify under the first head at the earliest possible moment, while the latter two will be repeated at intervals throughout the year. A recruit will have the option of electing to qualify for the last two courses at a time which will suit his own convenience. Instruction in police duties will be given in the form of from eight to twelve lectures, each taking about an hour, and an instruction book is also provided.

With regard to pistol shooting, this will depend largely on whether the recruit has had previous experience, but in most cases it will only mean attending at the range twice.

Essential Training.

It will be seen that the programme of training laid down is not likely to be a serious bar to would-be applicants, and really amounts to the minimum of essential training. Members will be entitled to similar benefits from the Government as are the Volunteers, in the case of wounds, disabilities and injuries received while serving; and in the event of their being called out on duty they will receive pay.

Notices in the Gazette will shortly announce the names of officers who have been gazetted, and the names of subalterns who have been appointed.

Anyone interested in the movement should make a point of calling at the office of Chief Inspector W. Kent, at the Central Police Station, where the Adjutant, who is present from 9.30 until 12.45 every morning, and most afternoons, will be glad to give any additional information.

ANGLO-SOVIET BREACH.

MOSCOW MISSION RETURNS.

London, June 9.

The members of the British Mission in Moscow, which was withdrawn on the breaking off of diplomatic relations with the Soviet Government, have arrived in London.—British Wireless.

NEGROS DISASTER.

CAPTAIN COMMITS
SUICIDE.

A DRAMATIC FAREWELL.

Mulanay, Tayabas, June 3.

Captain Juan Altonaga shot himself on the deck of the Negros just before that ill-fated steamer overturned and sank, in the typhoon, of May 26, according to survivors of the tragedy. Seeing that there was no hope for his vessel, he embraced his sons in farewell, and turned his revolver upon himself. Both of his sons are missing.

The survivors described the waves as tremendous, literally overwhelming the Negros before the vessel was overturned.

The first survivors were washed ashore at Barrio Pasay, Sitio Lina-tagan, Bondoc, on Sunday, May 29. They now number 86. All of them were in the water from two to three days.

All of the missing are believed to have drowned.

Several women and many students are among the survivors.

Most of them are still in Bondoc, two days' hike from here.

The Sontua arrived at Mulanay at noon to-day, after a rough trip. She ran into heavy weather and hard squalls just outside of Mariveles, and after fighting the seas for hours, was finally forced to take refuge in Baradero Bay, Mindoro, and wait for seven hours until the weather improved before proceeding.

The Sontua will take the survivors to Masbate for trans-shipment to Manila.

A late report by telephone to Governor Perez from Vitaniano F. Aguirre, vice-president of Mulanay, to-night, states that forty-three survivors were left at Barrio Uni, about twenty with the municipal president of Mulanay remained at Barrio Kulong-Kulong and the disabled ones were left at Bondoc on Thursday morning.

Two policemen, who arrived at Mulanay at 7 p.m. from Bondoc reported that all of the shipwrecked passengers and crew were taken on board the Sontua bound for Masbate. Major Navarro, on board the Sontua, will try to induce the captain to take the survivors to Manila immediately.

Fifty-Five Fatalities.

Lucena, June 3.—Twenty-one officers and members of the crew and forty-eight passengers on the steamer Negros, which sank during the typhoon on May 26, were saved. Nine members of the crew and officers and forty-six passengers are missing.

This is the official report made to Governor Perez of Tayabas to-night by Fortunato San Diego, presidente of Mulanay. The report was brought to Mulanay by the vice-president, Mr. San Diego and the police and some passengers, are still on their way there from Bondoc.

The Negros sank at 2.30 p.m. on May 26. Four life rafts with shipwrecked passengers and members of the crew, reached Barrio Casay at noon on May 28, after having been buffeted by the waves for nearly two days.

A meagre report received here to-night states that Major Navarro and the medical officers who attempted to reach the survivors at the barricade of Bondoc from the east coast of the peninsula managed to get there by hiking over the mountains from San Narciso. They boarded the rescue ship Y. Sontua at Bondoc.

Some survivors are to be shipped from Bondoc to the island of Masbate for transfer to a vessel going to Manila. It is believed that most of them are disabled. All those able to hike are thought to be on their way to Mulanay.

LINDBERGH REFUSES AN ANNUITY.

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LEUNG KWONG DISASTER.

CORONER'S ENQUIRY OPENED AT MAGISTRACY.

Cries of horror, a general stampede, men running in all directions, shouts, confusion, and heart-rending yells from those imprisoned in the ship because of a locked grille, was the description given by a witness at yesterday's Magisterial inquest into the deaths caused by the sinking of the Leung Kwong, when the Moonshine collided with her.

A special jury was empanelled for the purpose of the inquest, the jurors being Mr. F. C. Hall (Foreman), Mr. J. E. Joseph and Mr. W. Logan.

The Coroner, Mr. R. E. Lindsell, outlined the purpose of the enquiry in these words:

"This enquiry concerns the cause of death of those persons who lost their lives as a result of the collision between the Leung Kwong and the steam launch Moonshine at Capsumun Pass on May 9 last. It is obvious that the primary cause of death was drowning as a result of immersion, but it is for the jury to determine whether or not the collision was due to the negligence of any person or persons and, if so, whether that negligence was such as to justify a verdict of manslaughter against any one."

"A hundred and five men lost their lives in the disaster and of these the bodies of thirty-four were recovered. It would seem possible that a number of the missing were below, locked behind grilles at the time of the accident, and even if these grilles were such as required by law, that should not deter the jury from expressing their own opinions."

"For the purpose of this inquest it would be sufficient if the bodies of Mr. Martin and Lam Kwai-chi, a Chinese passenger, were identified."

Passenger's Evidence.

Mr. G. S. Hugh Jones of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist watched the enquiry on behalf of the owners of the Leung Kwong. Mr. T. G. Bennett, of Messrs. Johnson Stokes and Master, represented the interests of the owners of the steam launch Moonshine, as well as her coxswain and crew, and Mr. Geo. K. Hall Brutton represented the interests of Captain Wilson of the Leung Kwong and the widow of Mr. F.E.A. Martin.

According to police evidence, of the thirty four bodies recovered fourteen were identified. Mr. Martin's body was recovered at Capsumun by police launch No. 6 and was taken to the public mortuary. Mrs. Martin identified the body of her husband.

The Chinese passenger was identified by a cousin.

Kau Ngok Wan, an assistant of the Wing Tai Bank, who was a second class passenger of the Leung Kwong on her fatal journey, said that he boarded the ship at 6 o'clock with three other companions bound for Kong Moon. He had no cabin and from his position in the second class compartment he could see people coming in and out of the steerage. When the vessel was alongside at Connaught Road West he noticed that the steerage passengers entered their section of the ship through a grille on the second deck, which, when the ship got under way was locked.

He was not able to say who locked the grilles, but he was quite certain that they were locked. The crew of the ship entered and left the steerage through a manhole which was capable of admitting only one person at a time.

The Collision.

Shortly after 7 o'clock a loud crash, which resulted in a great number of passengers being thrown forward, caused a panic. A great confusion at once arose. There were cries of "piracy," people rushed in all directions not knowing what to do. Friends stood stock still, but his friends rushed madly about, as did a number of all the other passengers.

CHIEF ENGINEER'S FUNERAL.

LAST RITES AT HAPPY VALLEY.

The funeral of Mr. Alex Cummings, late Chief Engineer of the s.s. Chongtu, whose death at the Government Civil Hospital on Wednesday was reported in yesterday's issue, took place at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, and was attended by members of both the floating staff of the China Navigation Company and shore staff of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. The Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald officiated.

Members of the floating staff present were Mr. G. Atkinson, Mr. C. A. Bickford, Mr. A. Knowles, Mr. A. McLeod, Captain R. Millar, Mr. P. Maitland, Mr. R. Barclay, Mr. W. Brown, Mr. R. Carruthers, and Mr. H. Thompson, all from the China Navigation Company. Members of the shore staff present were Captain R. Innes, Marine Superintendent, Mr. J. H. Little, Mr. M. M. Murray, Mr. J. R. Kinghorn, Mr. B. Stephenson, and Mr. Dinsdale (shipping).

Others present were Mr. W. J. Stokes, secretary Marine Engineers' Guild, Hongkong branch, Mr. W. Crichton, Mr. W. Bell, Mr. F. Clarke, (Taikoo Dockyard), and Mr. A. J. C. Cooper.

Wreaths were sent by Mr. P. T. Farrell, the Institution of Engineers and Ship Builders, Hongkong, Mr. W. Russell, China Navigation Co. Ltd., Marine Engineers' Guild of China, Hongkong branch, Superintendent of the China Navigation Company, Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, (2), and the China Navigation Company shipping department.

Through all this din and confusion pitiful cries were heard from people in the steerage appealing to those above to unlock the grilles. Whether this was responded to or not, witness could not say, but he was certain he saw more than ten people coming out of the manhole leading from the steerage into the second class compartment.

Five minutes after the crash, witness was fortunate enough, on going to the side of the ship to see the Moonshine alongside. He stepped across to the launch and in ten minutes he saw the Leung Kwong foundering, sinking bow first.

Witness had not heard any siren being sounded before the accident. Just after the accident he saw land very close by and gave it as his opinion that it could not be more than two to three hundred feet away.

In answer to Mr. Brutton, witness stated that there were about a hundred steerage passengers.

Inquiry Scope.

Before the close of the afternoon's hearing Mr. Hugh Jones informed the Coroner that he had only first heard of the inquest yesterday morning and thought it would be difficult to find some of the witnesses he intended to call—members of the crew of the Leung Kwong, who probably had since returned to the country.

Mr. Lindsell then adjourned the inquest until Tuesday morning at 11.30 a.m.

Mr. Hugh Jones: Before we adjourn, could you possibly indicate what the scope of this enquiry will be? I am in rather a difficulty in this way. I don't know whether your Worship will enquire into the circumstances immediately preceding the collision.

The Coroner: The physical cause of death is obviously drowning, therefore the cause of the collision is material.

Mr. Lindsell added that he would treat the enquiry exactly as if two motor cars had collided and deaths had been caused by the collision.

Mr. Hugh Jones: Your Worship appreciates the great difficulty there will be in getting witnesses. I think it extremely unlikely that your worship will get presented to you the same picture at this inquiry as was presented at the marine inquiry.

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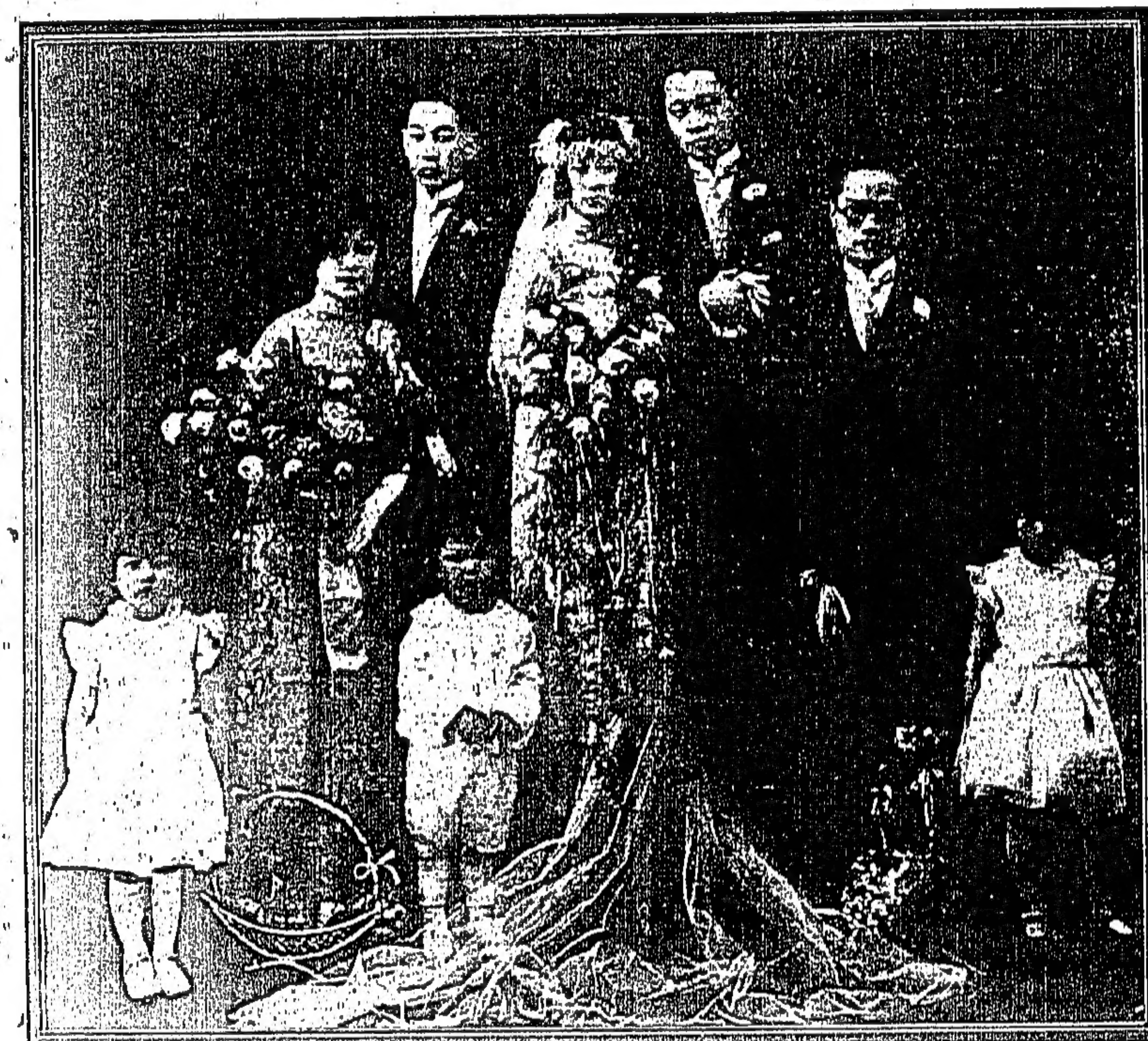
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FIRING A SALUTE.—Great interest centred in the firing of a salute by 18 guns which included several field types, at a review of Japanese marines held at Hongkew Park, Shanghai, recently.



FAMOUS HONEYMOONERS.—Lieutenant L. W. Curtin, U. S. naval aviator, and his bride, who was Miss Catherine Radcliffe, daughter of a millionaire shipbuilder of Cardiff, Wales. They are honeymooning in Washington. Curtin was with the French "ace" Fonck when their plane was wrecked and burned at the take-off of their first trans-Atlantic attempt last autumn.



WEDDING IN CHINESE SOCIETY.—Mr. Z. L. Loo, Chinese manager of Bills Motors, Inc., and Miss Ethel Wang, daughter of the late Dr. T. T. Wang, director of the Board of Chinese Education of Washington, whose wedding was recently celebrated at St. John's Pro-Cathedral, Shanghai. Dr. Hawk-Pott officiated. The bridesmaid was Miss Grace Wang, sister of the bride and the best man was Mr. Zung Ling.



A MAY WEDDING.—Mr. Harry Falcon Woodhouse and his bride Miss May Ratcliff, after their wedding at St. Joseph's Church, Shanghai, on May 21.



GATHERING OF SHANGHAI FASCISMO.—Members of the Shanghai branch of the Italian Fascist met at the Italian Consulate-General recently to receive certificates of membership. The presentation was made by Comm. L. de Luca, Hon. Secretary of the Association, who is to be seen standing in the middle of the group.

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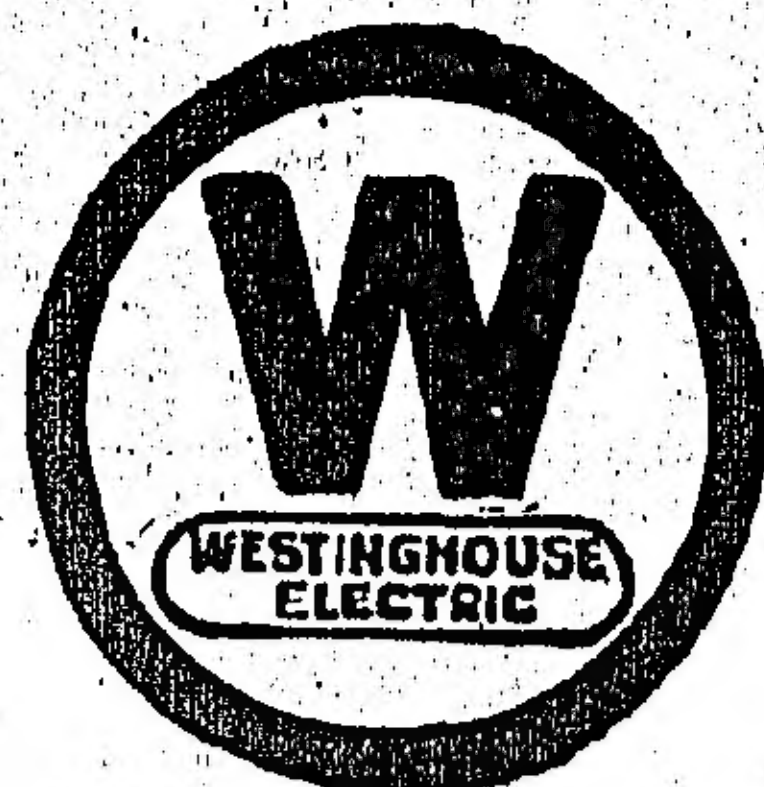
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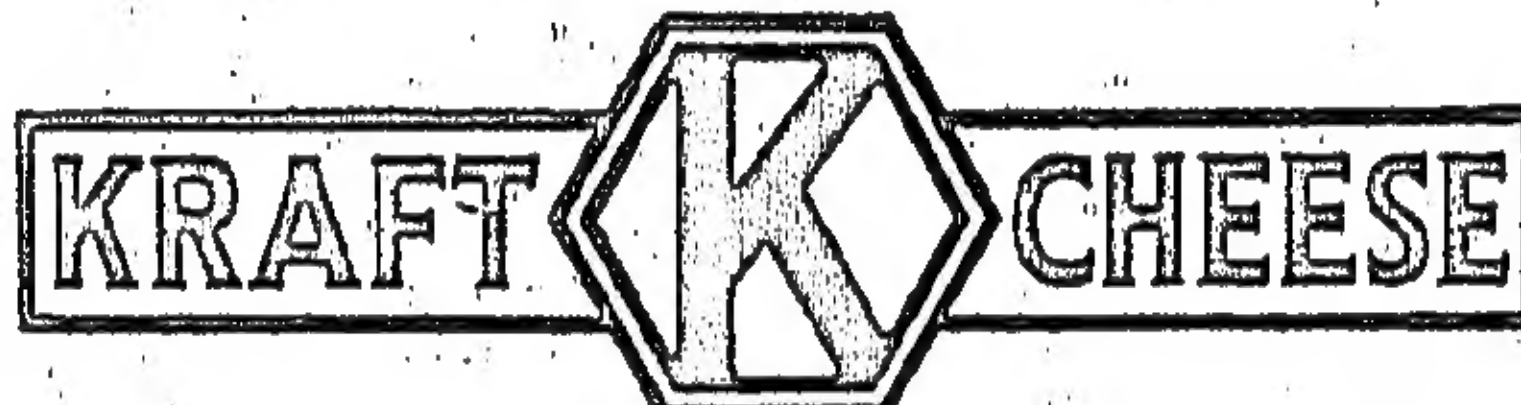
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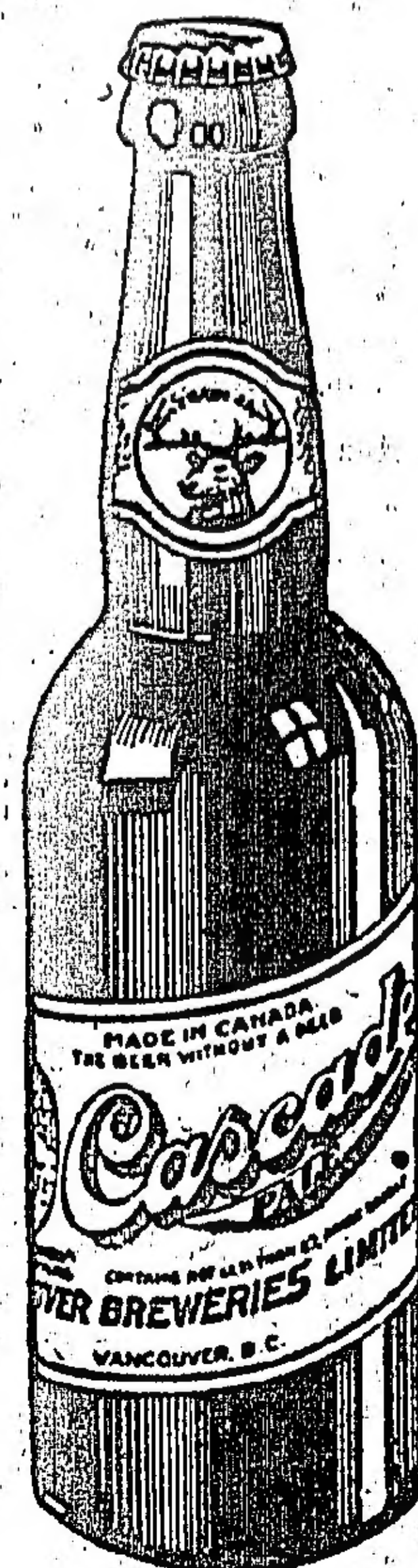
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Due to the interruption of the Hongkong-Macau cable service the Macau Radio Station will remain open for the exchange of telegrams with Hongkong from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. The Hongkong Station is always open and messages are accepted at any time throughout the 24 hours.

NOTICE.

The parcels post service to Russia in Asia via Japan is temporarily suspended.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Suez and Straits	Per Machaon	June 10.
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Kashmir	June 10.
Shanghai	Suiyang	June 11.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Taft	June 12.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Olderick	June 12.
Manila	President Jackson	June 13.
Straits and parcel mail from London		
5th May	Kalyan	June 15.
Australia and Manila	Aki Maru	June 16.
Suez and Straits	Pyrhus	June 19.
Manila	Emp. of Russia	June 20.
Suez and Straits	Petroclous	June 22.
Straits	Helenus	June 23.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date.
Welhaiwei	Yingchow	Fri., June 10, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Talma	Fri., June 10, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kashmir	K. P. O. Parcels June 10, 4.30 p.m. Reg. June 11, 9 a.m. Letters June 11, 10.30 a.m. G. P. O. Parcels June 10, 5 p.m. Reg. June 11, 9.45 a.m. Letters June 11, 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 10th July.)
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Hanoi	Sat., June 11, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Szechuen	Sat., June 11, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Pembrokehire	Sat., June 11, 5 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Talamba	Sat., June 11, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Kwangtung	Sat., June 11, 5 p.m.
*Swatow and Bangkok	Kingsun	Sun., June 12, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kaijo Maru	Sun., June 12, 9 a.m.
Saigon	Nanchang	Sun., June 12, 9 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *San Francisco and Europe via Siberia	Tonyo Maru	Mon., June 13, 10.30 a.m. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. (Due San Francisco 8th July.)
*Shanghai and *Japan	Hakusan Maru	Mon., June 13, 10 a.m.
Manila	Pres. Taft	Mon., June 13, 4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Namsang	Mon., June 13, 5 p.m.
Bangkok	Kwaiyang	Mon., June 13, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haihow	Tues., June 14, Noon.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt, and Europe via Marseilles	Diomed	Tues., June 14, K.P.O. Registration 1 p.m. Letters 1 p.m. G.P.O. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles 15th July.)
Welhaiwei	Kuochow	Tues., June 14, 2 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America, *Europe via Victoria, B.C., and Europe via Siberia	President Jackson	Tues., June 14, Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 4.55 p.m. (Due Victoria, B.C. 4th June.)
Swatow	Pooshing	Tues., June 14, 5 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Kumsang	Wed., June 15, 1 p.m. Letters 1 p.m. (Due Marseilles 15th July.)
Japan	Aki Maru	Fri., June 17, 9.30 a.m.
Swatow Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Fri., June 17, noon.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Suwa Maru	Sat., June 18, Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 18th July.)
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Changto	Sat., June 18, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. (Due Thursday Island 29th June.)
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Sun., June 19, Noon.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Tango Maru	Wed., June 22, Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m. (Due Thursday Island 4th July.)
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Kitano Maru	Tues., June 28, 10.30 a.m.

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From 11th to 17th June, 1927.

High Water. Low Water.

Day of Week	Time of High Water	Time of Low Water
Satur.	11 m 7 s	1 m 38 s
Sun.	12 m 7 s	0 m 50 s
Mon.	13 m 7 s	0 m 2 s
Tues.	14 m 7 s	0 m 24 s
Wed.	15 m 7 s	0 m 46 s
Thurs.	16 m 7 s	1 m 8 s
Friday	17 m 7 s	1 m 30 s

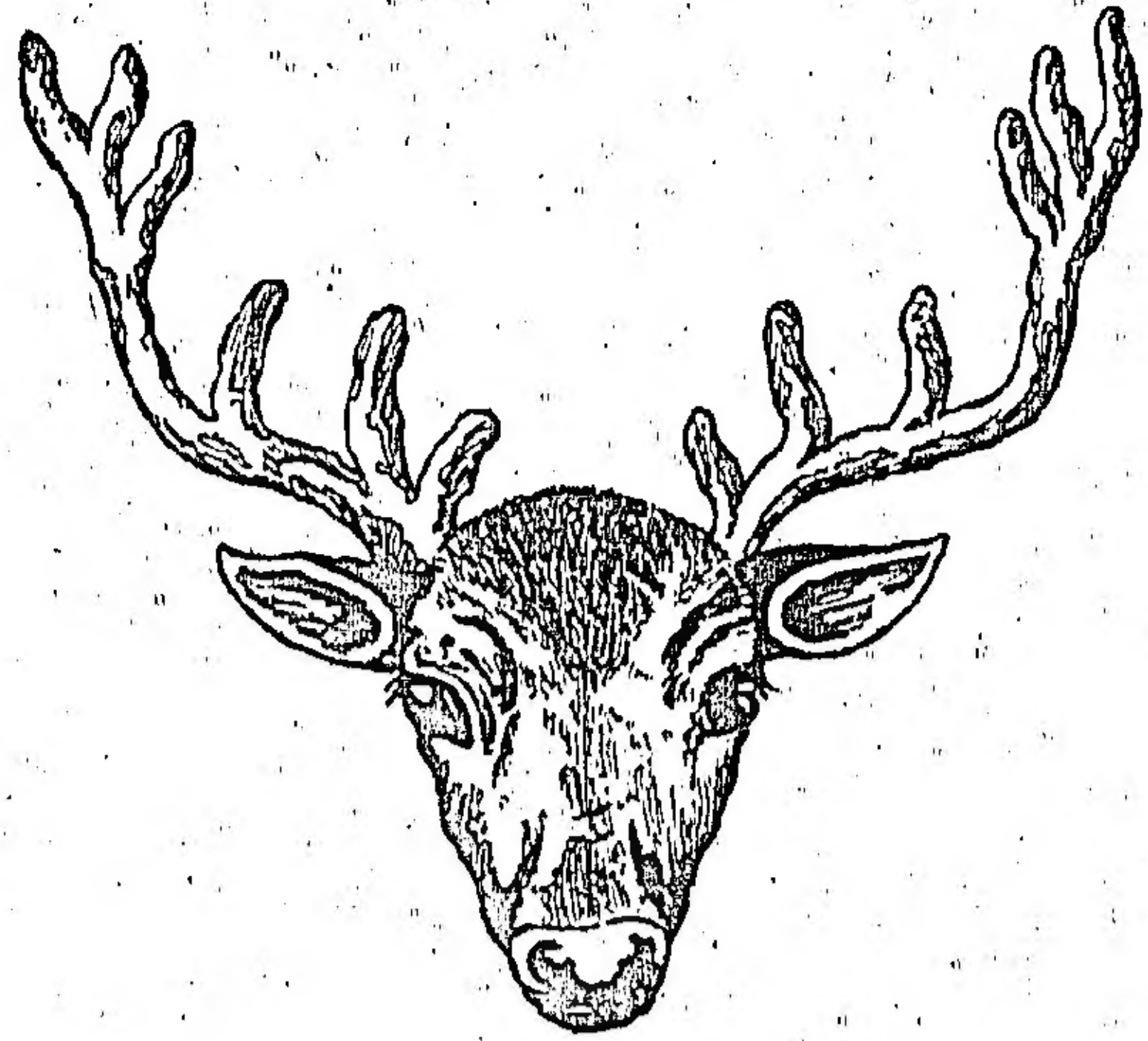
When Judge Cluer was asked at Whitechapel County Court to make an order for the payment of \$11 12s. 6d., balance due to a money-lender, he asked the debtor if he knew what rate of interest he had been paying. The Debtor: No, I have not worked it out. Judge Cluer: "You had a loan of \$100. It is 650 per cent. Why didn't you come to me? I would have cut down the interest to a reasonable 30 per cent. If you would only bring some of them to me it would extricate some of them. I'd make them stop it." Payment of the balance in instalments of \$1 a month was ordered.

WATER LEVELS.

REPORT FROM BOARD OF CONSERVANCY WORKS OF KWANGTUNG. WATER-LEVELS IN ENGLISH FEET.

Place of Observation.	Highest W.L. on record	Lowest W.L. on record	W. L. W. L.	8/6	9/6
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North River at Tsingyuen	+28'7	0'	+11'4	+11'3	
North River at Samshui	+27'3	0'	+7'2	+7'3	
East River at Shiklung	+16'2	0'	+7'9	+8'6	

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PROTECTION AGAINST BURGLARY.

NEW POSSIBILITIES.

Modern technical science has long been engaged in devising means for the protection of property against burglary. Among its inventions, an essential part is played by the electrical alarm apparatus, with contacts of the most varied kinds for staircases, doors, floors and walls; and the great police exhibitions in Berlin, Hamburg, and other German cities have shown much that is new in this direction.

Two inventions, among others, excited special interest at these exhibitions: the safety device invented by Blut, and the Photo-Alarm of the German Raumschutz-Gesellschaft (Room protection company).

The Berlin engineer, Walter Blut, bases his invention on the principle that only those safety plants afford real protection which are supplied with a constant electric current, as is the case for instance

with fire alarms, which have a so-called closed circuit. For if the burglar himself is to close the circuit, there is a danger, as past experience has frequently shown, that he may first of all, by simply cutting a wire put the whole plant out of action. The safety connection which Blut has contrived involves, on the contrary, an interruption of the current when a burglar touches it; and an alarm signal is then released by means of a relay.

The following example will make the working of Blut's safety device clear: suppose a table is to be protected, an account of something standing on it, or of something in the drawers. By Blut's safety connexion, it is placed in a current circuit. A burglar approaches the table, and touches it, or some object on it. The result is, that the current is conducted through the burglar's body—it is interrupted—and an alarm signal is heard: the burglar is announced.

While Blut's invention is still in the experimental stage, the Photo-Alarm of the German Raumschutz-Gesellschaft is already in practical use. Here too, the principle of

a permanent current, and its interruption by the burglar, is applied. From a ray-transmitter, which looks into the room to be protected like an electrical eye, ultra-violet, i.e., invisible rays are sent out, and pass through the room like a beam, till they fall on the mirror of a receiver, where they strike a photo-electric cell which is fixed there. In such a cell, impressions made by light produce electrical tensions, which are especially strong in the case of invisible ultra-violet rays. In Blut's invention, the effect of these tensions is, that two plates are held fast in a receiving-relay, a little distance apart. If the photo-cell is obscured for a moment, so that the electric charges in it disappear the plates come together, and thereby set an electric alarm apparatus in action.

If a burglar enters a room which is crossed by these invisible, and therefore unnoticed rays, and if he touches ever so slightly the path of these rays, the above described interruption of the illumination of the photo-cell occurs, and the alarm signal is released.

This photo-alarm seems to afford the best possible guarantee of protection against burglary. It is specially suitable for large rooms, such as stores, exhibition-halls, museums, etc. The house-breaker has no protection whatever against this invisible foe, not knowing where or from what quarter he is threatened; and thus it may well be that the ideal protection against burglary has been found.

AFTER THE BALL.

OBJECTION TO NOISES OF MOTOR CARS.

In the Chancery Division, London, in mail week, an injunction was granted against Major Victor Beaufort restraining him from leaving motor cars standing in Lyall News, Belgrave Square, with engines running and allowing motor horns to be blown in such a manner as to cause a nuisance to neighbours. Major Beaufort was the sub-lessee of premises which form part of the Duke of Westminster's estate.

Mr. Topham, K.C., for the Duke of Westminster, said that the covenant of the lease prohibited the making of noises calculated to inconvenience or disturb the neighbours.

Complaints were made of motor cars being left outside the premises with engines running, and of motor horns being blown early in the morning.

The letter of complaint sent to the Duke's solicitors was signed by eight persons. It stated that the people visiting the defendant's flat were in the habit of driving into the Mews between 1.30 and 2.30 in the morning. There were noises of laughing and shouting by the men and women visitors.

Particular complaint was made about a party which returned to the flat after the Albert Hall ball in November last.

Mr. Reginald Arthur Pond, who protested from a window, was invited by the defendant to come downstairs and receive a thrashing. It was further alleged that the language used was bad enough to have left a barge speechless.

Mr. Harman, for Major Beaufort, said his client was now in America, and had been away from this country since January. It was admitted in his affidavit that a party had returned to the Mews after the Albert Hall ball, but it was denied that any excessive noise was then made.

Further, Major Beaufort denied that he had ever permitted any noise on any other occasion, or that there had been any hooliganism.

Played the Piano.

Counsel went on to say that the flat since January had been occupied by a Commander Henniker-Heaton, under arrangement with Major Beaufort. The Commander's evidence showed that on March 20 last, he met two Army officers and another friend, whom he took back to the flat early in the morning. While supper was being prepared, one of his friends played the piano for about ten minutes, but there was no other noise or disturbance.

It was complained by Commander Henniker-Heaton that one of the neighbours came to him a few days afterwards in a very aggressive manner and abused him. Other neighbours told the Commander they had not been disturbed and refused to sign any letter of complaint.

Mr. Justice Clauson said that he could not help thinking that the gentleman in question did not adequately recognise that while he was in a position to come home at 1.30, and to give a supper party, there were a number of others sleeping nearby and trying to get a night's rest. To play the piano was, to say the least, inconsiderate.

Mr. Harman expressed the view that the trouble really arose out of the animosity of two neighbours.

His Lordship, who remarked that it seemed lamentable the action should proceed further, granted an injunction till the trial, the costs to be costs of the action.

NATURE RESERVE.

THE HAWKSMOOR DEDICATION.

"It is really worth while for every county to have one or more bird and animal sanctuaries. There is always a risk that the wild life, and especially bird life, may become impaired by the natural growth of the population which takes away its suitable surroundings," said Viscount Grey of Fallodon, in mail week, in accepting on behalf of the Council of the National Trust the title-deeds of the Hawksmoor Nature Reserve, near Cheadle, Staffordshire.

Six hundred feet above sea level, Hawksmoor Reserve commands one of the most beautiful views in the Midlands, and is the centre of an area in which a large proportion of the 95 species of birds which nest in Staffordshire and many varieties of rare wild flowers are found.

The enclosure covers 200 acres, and was bought by Mr. J. R. B. Masefield, who initiated the scheme, for £1,200. The whole of the sum has been raised by public subscription, and only a small amount is needed for fencing repairs.

Commending the work of the National Trust, of which he is a vice-President, Viscount Grey said it was a most desirable thing that there should be a central national authority which undertook to hold the title-deeds of places valued for their historical interest, their beauty, or their suitability for preserving and protecting wild life. Although those places were controlled by local committees, the National Trust ensured that whatever changes in personnel there might be the original purpose for which the generation of the day wished those places to be preserved was always maintained.

A Real Distinction.

Places of public resort where the natural beauty was unspoiled must be to some people like a luminous distance to which, while they were at work, they could look forward to visiting at week-ends. Hawksmoor would be cared for under conditions in which its wild life would be preserved. The growth of population threatened to interfere with the haunts of birds; but if there were sanctuaries in different parts of the country where they might find a safe home, especially in the breeding season, the various species would be assured of preservation.

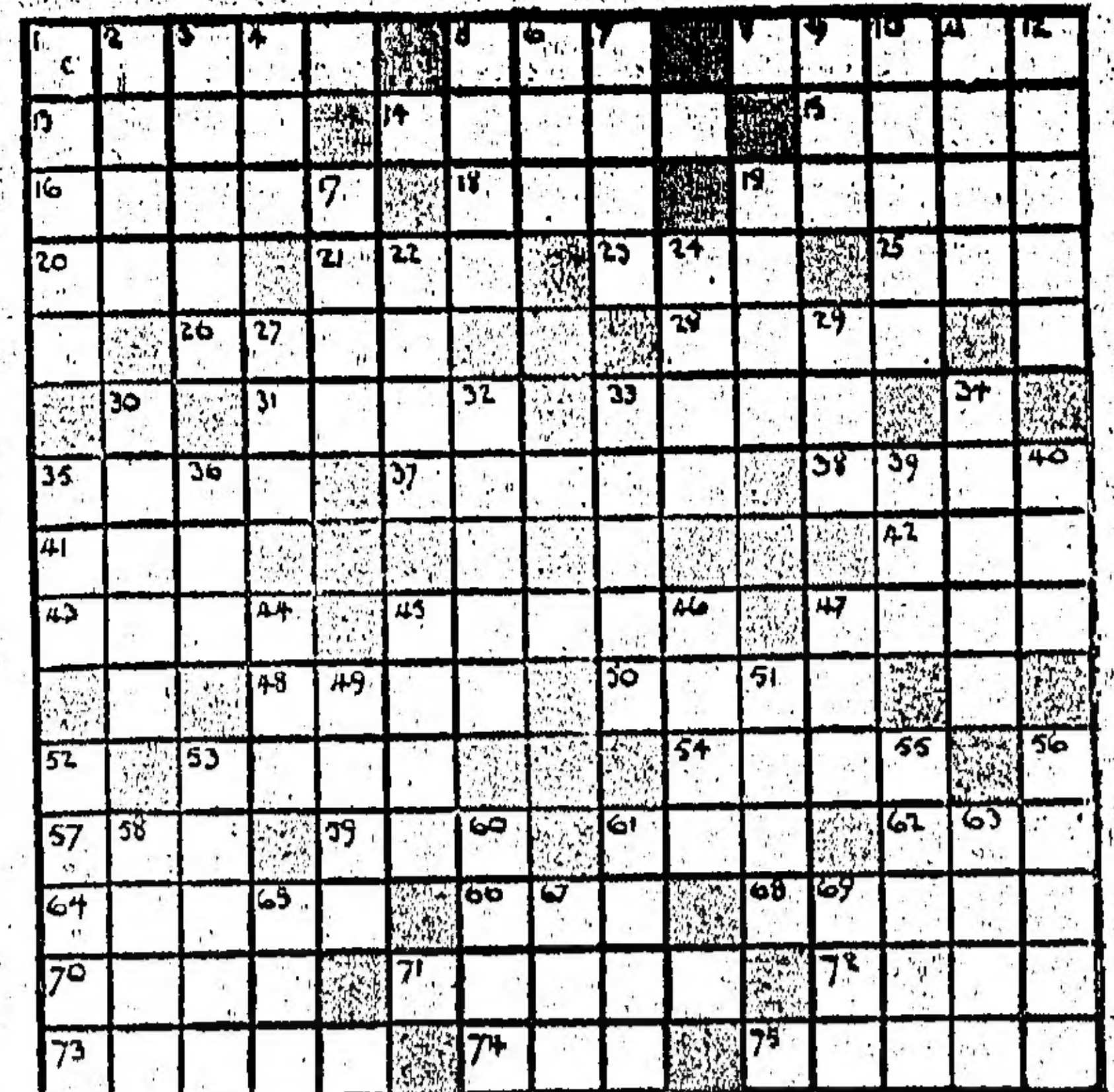
"I am told that at Hawksmoor you have three different kinds of British woodpeckers, three kinds of wagtails, five kinds of titmice, and three different species of owls. Anyone who studies birds will support me in saying that it would be very difficult to find another 200 acres lying in one enclosure in the country where one can find all these particular species breeding. It is a real distinction to have in such an enclosure such a fine record of bird life." One hundred and thirty-five properties had now been handed over to the National Trust, and everyone was being preserved for the public interest and for the public. The Trust had no great endowment, but relied on that real source of economy, the local interest and public spirit of the different districts.

Lord Dartmouth, the Lord-Lieutenant of Staffordshire, said that when wild duck went courting it was only the male bird that made a fool of itself. He suggested a set of by-laws for the inhabitants of the bird sanctuary framed to restore the equality of the sexes. (Laughter.)

Viscount Grey said that the common wild duck for the greater part of the year dressed in exceedingly gay colours, while the female bird never wore gay colours at all. "Imagine what the result will be," he said, "if you begin to model your customs on the wild bird life of Hawksmoor." (Laughter.)

In addition to the wild birds in the Hawksmoor area there are foxes, badgers, fallow deer, squirrels, shrews, and polecats, and the varieties of wild flowers are exceptionally numerous.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



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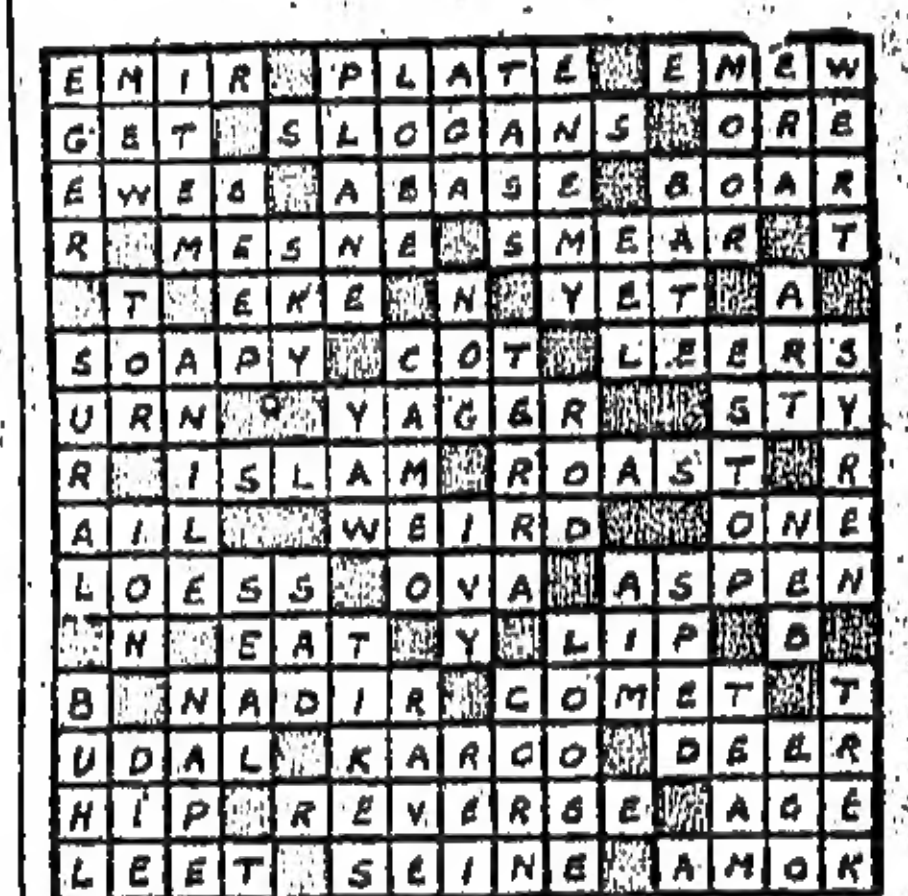
- 1 Residence.
- 5 Reverential fear.
- 8 Particular space.
- 13 Famous college.
- 14 Vegetable.
- 15 Ardour.
- 16 One who is defeated.
- 18 John.
- 19 Perceived with ear.
- 20 Open.
- 21 Spike of corn.
- 23 Observed.
- 25 Used in golf.
- 26 Heavenly orb.
- 28 Back of the neck.
- 31 Leeward.
- 32 Centre.
- 35 At a distance.
- 37 Barbed weapon.
- 38 Domestic.
- 41 Pertaining to it.
- 42 Roman deity.
- 43 Textile fabrics.
- 45 Blunt swords.
- 47 Small lake.
- 48 Needy.
- 50 Certain.
- 53 Covers the head.
- 54 Rodents.
- 57 Consumed.
- 59 Permit.
- 61 Stern of ship.
- 62 Monkey.
- 64 Minute skin openings.
- 66 Part of circle.
- 68 Custom.
- 71 Driven by a locomotive engine.
- 72 Actor's part.
- 73 Dolls.
- 74 Termination.
- 76 Discourage.

Down.

- 1 Fruit.
- 2 On the top.
- 3 Projects from faces.
- 4 Unit.
- 5 Pertaining to wings.
- 6 Keeps shot compact in gun.
- 7 Finishes.
- 9 Sheltered side.
- 10 Having wings.
- 11 Solitude.

- 12 Completed.
- 17 Genuine.
- 18 To head.
- 22 Level space within boundaries.
- 24 Enough.
- 27 Coal product.
- 29 Favourite.
- 30 Behind.
- 32 Mistake.
- 33 Twists.
- 34 Lively.
- 35 Encircles the earth.
- 38 Common adder.
- 39 Alcoholic beverage.
- 40 Before.
- 44 Health resort.
- 45 In front.
- 46 Swell of sea.
- 47 Encountered.
- 49 Substances insoluble in water.
- 51 Early.
- 52 Swift.
- 53 Longed legged bird.
- 55 Wooden shoe.
- 56 Measuring instrument.
- 58 Made a rant.
- 60 Vetch.
- 61 Sharp to the taste.
- 63 Heap.
- 65 Point of the compass.
- 67 Moved quickly.
- 69 Exits.

Yesterday's Puzzle.



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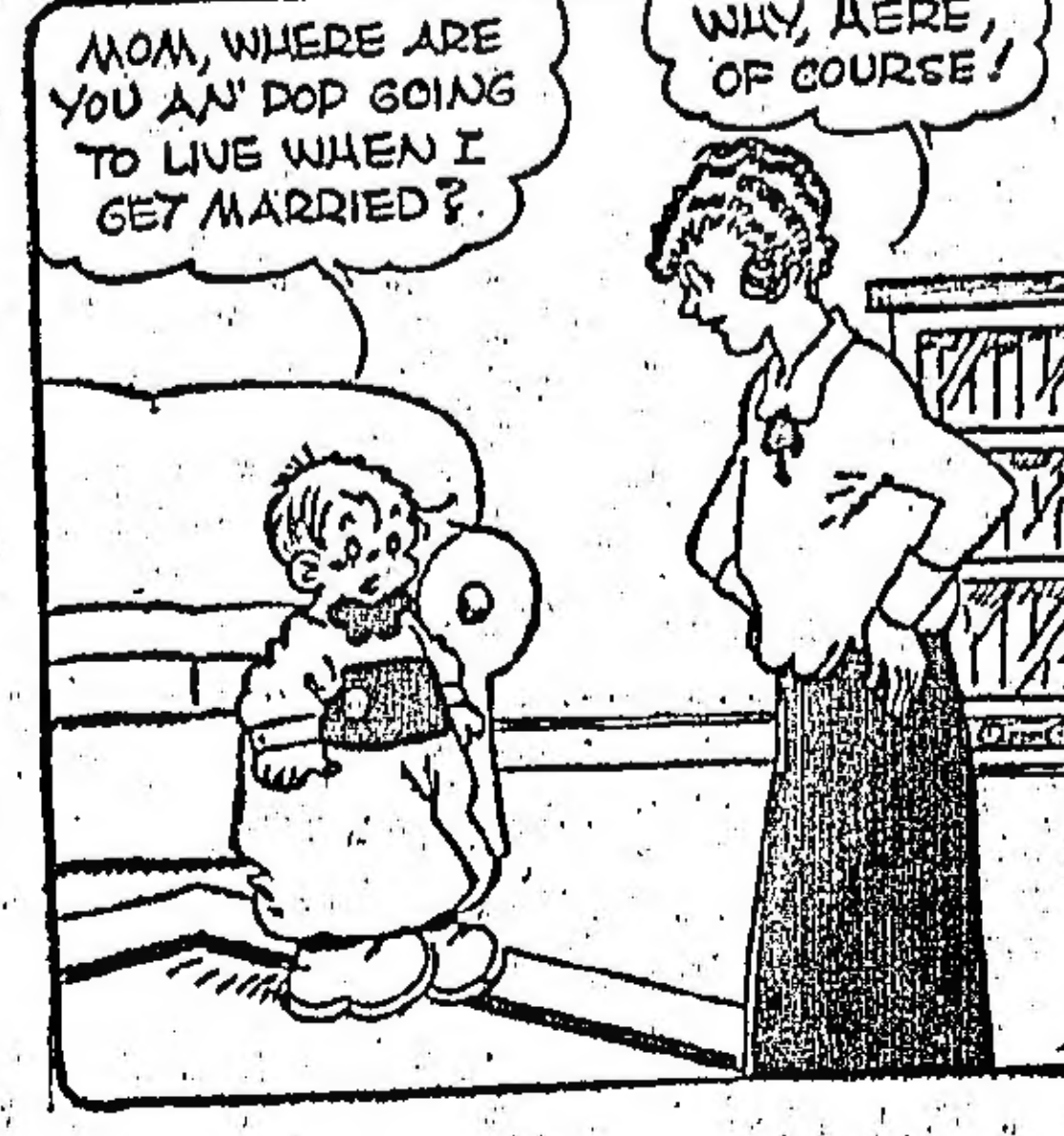
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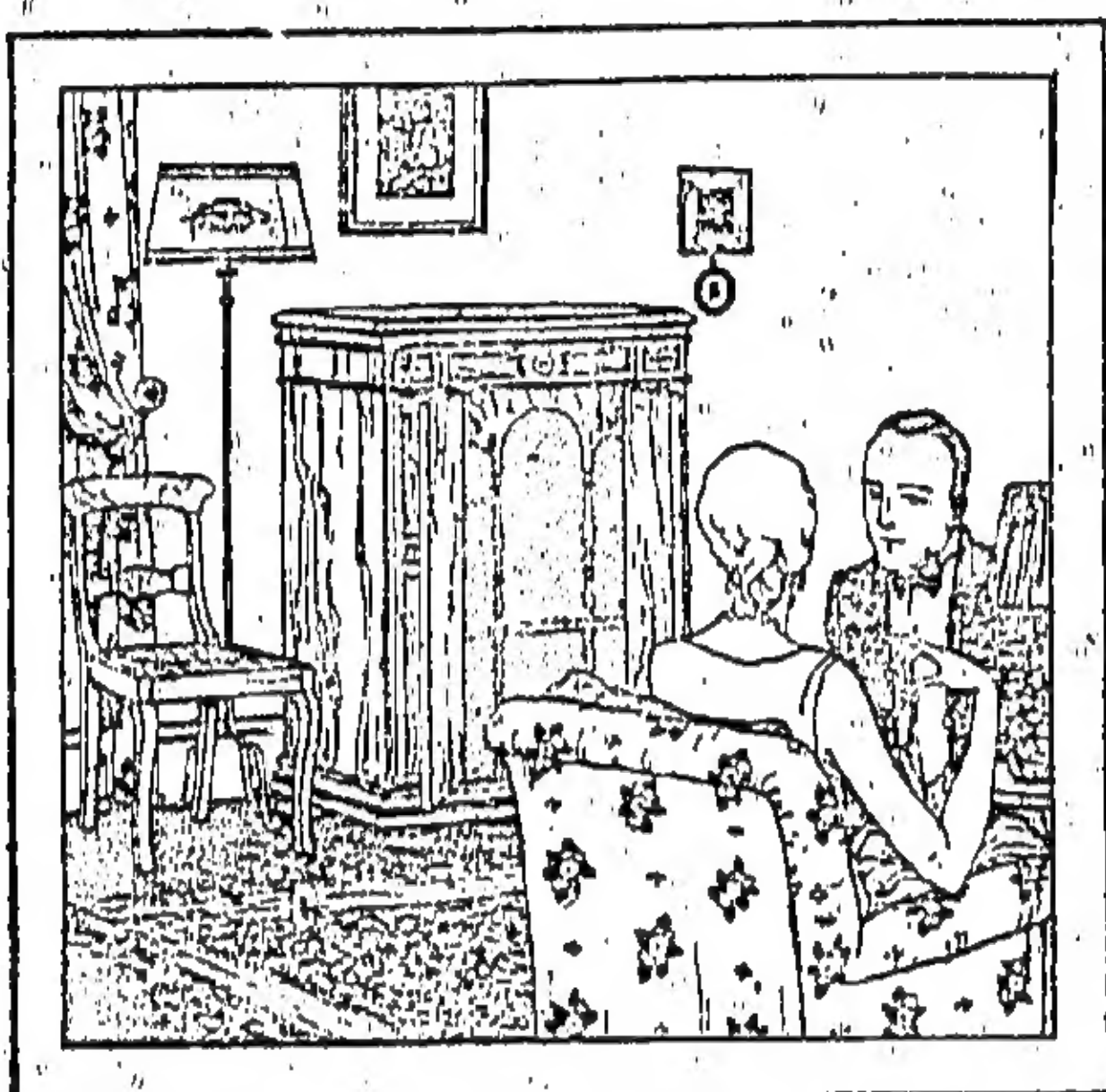
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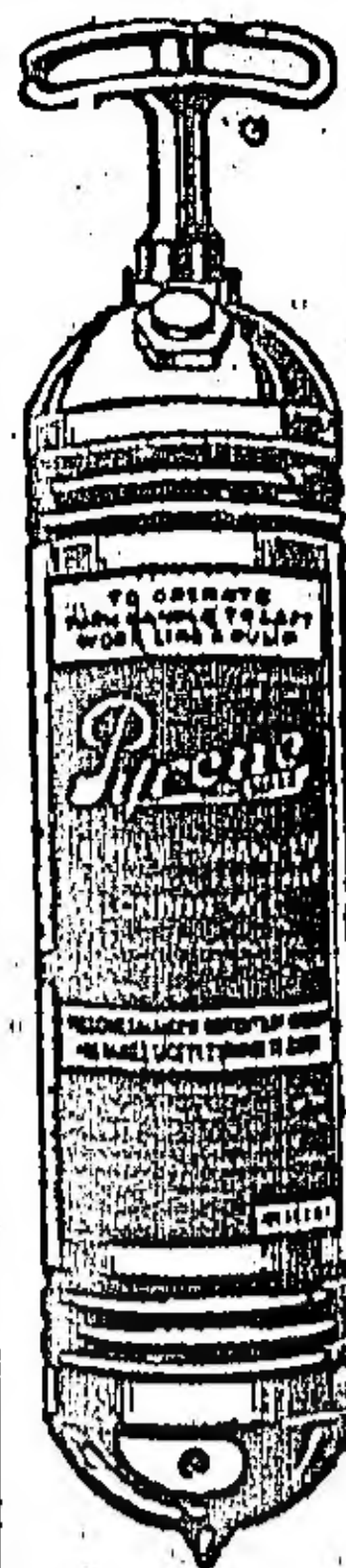


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THE SOCIAL EVIL.

There have been several raids made recently by the authorities in connexion with the keeping by certain persons of what are politely termed illegal houses. The activities of the powers-that-be are no doubt a reflection of the problems that have now arisen. It may be considered an unsavoury subject by some people, but old-fashioned prudery in the discussion of such matters long ago disappeared, and it serves no useful purpose to permit such things to remain in the "hush-hush" stage. The social evil, so far as Hongkong is concerned, came up for a good deal of public mention a few years ago, when Lady Astor brought the matter forward in the House of Commons, primarily in connexion with the discussion of the proposed naval base at Singapore. She rather unnecessarily condemned the administrations of the Crown Colony Governments for their alleged "legalising of vice", and subsequent replies from individuals who were better informed as to local conditions, as well as statements in the Press, appear to have silenced the agitation for the time being. But it is bound to crop up again. At the time referred to, the Governor of Hongkong (Sir Reginald Stubbs) was asked for a report on the subject, and that was no doubt duly sent Home. It must have satisfied the Home Government that authorities here were doing their best under the circumstances.

In the Straits Settlements, chiefly through the activities of prominent Church personages, the whole subject of the social evil, in all its aspects, came up for enquiry, and a special commission delivered a report. The basis of that report was a recommendation for the legalisation of a certain number of premises (the Straits Government having abolished all such some years previously). There was an immediate outcry against that finding, from religious quarters especially. It is interesting to note that the recommendations in the report were chiefly supported by medical opinion, in one case that of a doctor since knighted for his services in his line of work. Apparently the matter in Malaya is hanging fire, pending the actual establishment of the naval base. But the controversy is likely to rage anew at some future date. In Hongkong, we gather that the Government's former policy is being maintained—definite limita-

tion of such premises, and thus a gradual dwindling of permitted houses. That was the policy outlined by the police authorities at the time, in an interview granted to a representative of this paper. Within recent years there has been a welcome tightening of the watch kept for illicit premises, so that the evil has greatly diminished. It appears, indeed, as if the local policy is turning out to be the best. Sooner or later some idealist is sure to find the few black spots that are apparent to all who go delving into social questions at the world's big seaports, and it were well to refer now to our comparative success in controlling the social evil, lest, as has happened before, Hongkong, and its administration, be unfairly criticised.

Promised Alliance.

Unless something very untoward and, at the present moment, unforeseen happens, there will doubtless soon be an alliance concluded between the big military commanders of the sides—intely contending in China's civil war. The feature of the preliminary negotiations has been the obvious concern of the leading Nationalist personalities to conform to the request of Marshal Chang Tso-lin that there shall remain no Russian or Communist influence in the party. If an alliance is formed it will most certainly be an anti-"Red" alliance, though the aspirations of the Nationalist Party will probably be retained. It is openly stated by General Yen of Shansi that he supports the doctrine of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen though he avers that he is anti-Communist. And we think that that will be the feature of any combination of the forces of the North and South—at least for the time being. Under the pressure of the Southern advance, the Northern leaders are prepared to capitulate provided there is no extension of the Russian influence they have just done their best to eliminate in and around Peking. Of course, there is the disposition of the Hankow party yet to attend to, and one of yesterday's reports mentioned that Marshal Feng Yu-shiang was making overtures to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek to help him in the matter of arms and money. But present indications are that these two facts will not be enough to prevent the conclusion of a tripartite alliance between Marshal Chang Tso-lin, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and General Yen Hsi-shan and that one of its main features will be an alliance against Communism. How long such an alliance would last, how much or how little it would be supported by the various political factions within the Kuomintang and Kuomintang and whether it would succeed in bringing peace to China and a better understanding with the foreign Powers are all speculations giving rise to much uncertainty. If these military chiefs could get together and agree to support a moderate Nationalist party which would set about the great task of governing the country properly from the civil standpoint, then we should be on the threshold of a new and promising era.

HONGKONG'S "ASSET."

EX-BANDITS AS COOLIES.

The haunts of the West River pirates and bandits were raided recently by the Cantonese troops, and most of them have been dispersed. Some of their leaders, it is said by the local vernacular press have gone to the Straits Settlements to settle there, while those who could not afford to go so far have arrived in Hongkong and are earning an honest living as coolies or other labourers. The vernacular papers state that those who are now in the Colony total a fair number.

It is at least intriguing to think that the coolie carrying one's portmanteau may have been a pirate chief only a few weeks ago.

HARBOUR SUICIDE.

CHINESE JUMPS FROM FERRY.

While the Yaumati ferry launch "Man Chung" was crossing the harbour yesterday a third Chinese passenger jumped overboard and sank almost immediately. A lifebuoy was thrown, but owing to the sudden disappearance of the man under water it was of no avail. The coxswain sounded his siren which brought a police launch alongside, and although the latter boat cruised about the spot for some time the body was not recovered.

DAY BY DAY.

POLISHED BRASS WILL PASS UPON MORE PEOPLE THAN WROUGHT GOLD.—*Chesterfield.*

Late last night a verandah at 371, Shanghai Street, Yaumati, second floor, collapsed, but no one was injured.

Thieves broke into No. 251 Lai-chikok Road, first floor, yesterday and stole money, jewellery and clothing to the value of \$119.20.

Yesterday's health return shows that there was one case of diphtheria, one case of typhoid and one case of cerebro-spinal fever, all the sufferers being Chinese.

A scavenging coolie has been taken to the Government Civil Hospital with injuries sustained through accidentally falling into the hold of a sanitary lighter at Kennedy Town.

While carrying out repairs to the aerial ropeway at the Dairy Farm, Pokfulam, an employee fell and sustained injuries to his head and legs, which necessitated his removal to the Netherlands Hospital.

When private motor car No. 1520 was being driven along Shaukiwan Road by an Indian yesterday, it came into collision with tram car No. 55, which was travelling in the opposite direction. Both vehicles were damaged but there were no personal injuries.

Mrs. Ribeiro, 513, Nathan Road, Kowloon, has reported to the police that her twelve-years-old daughter was bitten by a dog belonging to Mrs. Harris of the same address. The child is receiving medical treatment, and the dog has been sent to Mau Tau Kok for observation.

Plans have been drawn up by the Nationalist financial authorities for the establishment of a Nationalist Central Bank in Shanghai, of which the total capital is intended to be \$50,000,000. It is understood that the bank will begin official operations as soon as the sum of \$10,000,000 has been collected.

Alleging that the Chinese paper the *Nan Yang Yat Po*, published in Medan, Sumatra, was propagating the Sun Yat-sen doctrine among the Chinese in that city, the Dutch Government has ordered that paper to be closed, and banished both the manager and the editor from Medan, states a local vernacular paper.

A Water Return, dated June 1st, shows that all the reservoirs in the Colony were either overflowing or nearly full, the total water in storage on the Hongkong side on that date being 2,103.24 million gallons as compared with 1,223.64 million gallons on the same date last year. In Kowloon there were 424 million gallons, as against 326.32 million gallons a year ago.

The death has taken place in the General Hospital, Singapore, of Mrs. Elizabeth Habekost, at the advanced age of 87. Mrs. Habekost, who was probably the oldest European resident of Singapore, came up from Australia with her mother and her sister (the late Mrs. M. de Busagotti) close upon 70 years ago and enjoyed good health during the whole of that long period. She married Capt. Habekost who for many years was a well-known skipper in the Straits and who died in 1896. Of the family of thirteen children, four survive. Mrs. Habekost entered the hospital at Easter and her death was due to old age.

The cruiser Curlew, Captain A. H. Taylor, O.B.E., which is on its way out to China to replace the Caradoc, taking out a new crew for the Delhi at the same time, was ordered to leave Plymouth on May 8. She was expected at Malacca on May 15 to 17, Port Said on May 20, Suez on May 21, Aden on May 26-27, Colombo from June 3 to 7, Singapore from June 12 to 15, and Hongkong on June 20. On the arrival of the Curlew in China, the present crew of the Caradoc, Captain H. C. Allen, will turn over to her, and the Caradoc will return to England with the old crew of the Delhi, for refit.

The funeral service for the late Commander Darrouzet was held last Monday afternoon at St. Joseph's Cathedral, Shanghai, the burial taking place at Lokaweli Cemetery an hour later. The Rev. Father Marlet officiated at the graveside. It will be recalled that deceased, who was in command of French war vessel *Craonne*, became suddenly ill with blood poisoning and died on Sunday afternoon. From the Cathedral a military procession marched to the cemetery, preceded by three squads of police. The religious rites being concluded Admiral Bazire, in command of the French navy in China, pronounced the valedictory at the graveside.

21 YEARS AGO.

EXTRACTS FROM
"TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are from the *Hongkong Telegraph* for the week ended June 8th, 1906.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 2s. 1 3/16d.

H.M.S. Monmouth arrived in the Colony.

Mr. H. E. Pollock presided over a small gathering of members assembled at the annual meeting of the Hongkong Branch of the Navy League.

Great interest was evinced at an exhibition of moving pictures, given at the City Hall.

Mr. J. G. Steen was appointed an assistant engineer on the Kowloon-Canton Railway.

The British Vice Consulate at Macao was closed until further notice.

OLD HONGKONG. A SPECIAL PICTORIAL FEATURE.

To-morrow's edition of the *Telegraph* will be specially interesting by reason of the fact that it will contain a page of old pictures of Hongkong, Canton and Macao—reproductions of paintings which date back to 1850.

The pictures, which are the property of Mr. Wyndham Law, who collected the larger part of what is now known as the Chater Collection, give a vivid idea of old Hongkong and Canton.

In addition to the above, to-morrow's issue will contain our usual local picture feature, including pictures taken at the King's Birthday Parade, and at the Fourth Extra Race Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club; a group at the marriage of Mr. E. I. Leifao and Miss Maria de Sousa; a view showing the British Fleet in harbour; pictures taken at the King's Birthday "At Home," at Cheung Chau, and another showing the Dragon Boat Race at Aberdeen.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, June 9.
Paris	124
Brussels	34.16
Stockholm	18.14
Helsingfors	19.27
Vienna	34.52
Rio	5.53/64
Bombay	1.75/16
New York	4.85 19/32
Copenhagen	12.12 1/16
Amsterdam	16.17
Bucharest	800
Athens	302
Lisbon	2.15/32
Yokohama	1/10 15/16
Genoa	25.25
Berlin	20.50
Milan	88
Shanghai	13.72
Hongkong	2/0
Madrid	28.07 3/4
Silver (forward)	2 1/2
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—British Wireless.

Exactly two inches of rain were recorded at the Royal Observatory during the 24 hours ending at 10 o'clock this morning, making a total of 48.45 inches for this year against an average of 28.41. The forecast up till noon to-morrow is: "East winds, moderate; overcast, rain."

Captain R. Neville, Private Secretary to H. E. the Governor of Ceylon, will not accompany Sir Hugh Clifford to the Straits, but will continue as Private Secretary to the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, when the latter takes up duties as Officer Administering the Government.

At the King's Birthday Parade at Singapore three Chinese detectives whose initiative and gallantry in effecting the arrest of a number of armed Chinese secret society men had attracted the attention of the authorities, were presented with the Police Medal. The Chinese detectives received the medals at the hands of the new Governor, Sir Hugh Clifford.

A feud between two clans of Indians who drive hire cars in Singapore culminated on Thursday evening last week in a terrible scene in Coleman Street, close to Meyer Mansions and a stand for hire cars. About 8.15, some Sikhs armed with long poles attacked several drivers, beating them in a most horrible manner about the head and body. One man who took refuge in a drain was beaten about the head. Several injured men were taken to hospital, where one died from his injuries. Several arrests were later made by the police.

The Very Idea!

The passing pedestrians yelled out warnings, and the brakes of the vehicles screeched piercingly as the two taxi-cabs were pulled up quickly within a yard of each other.

The drivers glared at one another speechless with indignation as they each mentally laid the blame of the affair on the other.

"What the—! is the matter with you?" demanded one of the men.

"Nothings wrong with me," came the reply.

"You gave me a nasty look, you did," said the first driver, climbing out of his seat with a threatening air.

Disdainfully the other man moved his gear lever and as his vehicle moved off he called to the irate one—"Now you come to mention it, you 'ave got a nasty look, but I didn't give it to yer."

He dreamed he dwelt in marble halls. In that there's nothing wrong. 'Cause he'd been playing marbles with His youngsters all day long.

When it was suggested to the Linslade, Bucks, Magistrate that a music and dancing license for a hotel near a church might disturb the church services a solicitor said this argument might have been good in the old days of the polka, but in these days of the Charleston there could be no objection. The application was granted.

Willesden woman: I have summoned my husband before, but the magistrate dismissed the case because my life was sworn away.

Durham labourer accused of assault: He hit me on the mouth, and then said, "Let bygones be bygones."

Magistrate's clerk at Wellingborough: Do you plead guilty? Man: Yes, but I would like to plead not guilty.

Man at Shoreditch: As wives go I suppose I am lucky, for she buys her own clothes.

Judge Chuer at Shoreditch: It must be torture to some of you women to hold your tongues.

A girl of 11 years of age, Rene Astle, the daughter of a miner, is puzzling medical men at Burton-on-Trent. Her bones are so brittle that they break very easily, and already she has suffered seven bone fractures, five to legs and two to collar-bones. For two years she was in the Derbyshire Infirmary, and was discharged three weeks ago, but yesterday, when on crutches, she stumbled and fell. She is now in the Infirmary at Burton-on-Trent.

Some schoolboy "howlers":—Alexander the Great was born in Athens during the absence of his parents.

Edward the Third would have been King of France if his mother had been a man.

The chief clause in the Magna Charta was that no freeman should be put to death or be imprisoned without his own consent.

My favourite character in English history is Henry VIII, because he had six wives and killed them all.

Bathing from motor-cars has been prohibited by a resolution passed by Bournemouth Borough Council.

"People come here from neighbouring places," said Alderman H. Robson, chairman of the Beach Committee; "they park their cars on Undercliffe Drive, spread a sheet over the window, undress, and have a jolly good time in the water. They return to the car and have a delightful lunch, followed by a snooze. Then they feel like another bath."

"The sheet is put round the car windows, and after the bath they return to the car and dress. Then the vacuum flask comes out for tea, and eventually they go home, having had a cheap day's outing."

The captain and the mate aboard the "Pretty Polly" were at loggerheads. They scowled whenever they met, and seized opportunities of scoring off each other with perfect glee. Each took a turn at making the day's entries in the log-book, and the mate, when making his entries was very surprised to see in the captain's handwriting:—"June 2, 1917—Mate drunk."

He stared at it wrathfully, then a slow grin broke over his face. He took his pen out and wrote:—"June, 1917—Captain sober."

A tourist party at Athens was being shown the Acropolis, when one of the visitors, an American girl, after an enthusiastic, "Gee, I'll say it's great!" appeared to miss something. "Say," she said, "where are the four horsemen, anyway?"

The Malaya Government has purchased new offices on the Liverpool Globe Insurance site at the corner of Admiralty Arch and Trafalgar Square in London. This is one of the best sites in London.

MARINE COURT CASES.

OIL POLLUTION CHARGE.

An unusual case was heard at the Marine Court this morning by Lieut. Commr. G. F. Hole, when Captain W. Zeylmaker, of the s.s. Absia, was charged with unlawfully discharging a quantity of oil within harbour limits, at 5.45 p.m. on June 2.

The Absia usually runs between Straits ports and Hongkong for the Asiatic Petroleum Company, but on the occasion in question had arrived from San Pedro, and after unloading had proceeded to sea and discharged waste. Owing to the fact that the harbour limits had recently been extended, a fact which the shipmaster was not aware of, an infringement had occurred.

Defendant pleaded guilty, and His Worship in accepting the plea, stated that he had received a letter in connexion with the case, and the defence put up had apparently been made in all good faith. The master had no idea that he was committing a breach of regulations. The company concerned had undertaken that no such offence would be committed again. A conviction was registered, and the accused was discharged with a caution.

Rule Of Road.

Chan Yung, master of the steam launch Kwong On, was charged with a breach of the rule of the road on June 2 by proceeding through the entrance of the Yaumati typhoon shelter on the wrong side, and not sounding his whistle.

The accused pleaded guilty, and acknowledged a conviction in May, 1926, for being under way without a certified engineer on board. His Worship inflicted a fine of \$10, with the alternative of 10 days' imprisonment.

REFUSES ANNUITY.



A recent portrait of Captain Charles A. Lindbergh, of New York-Paris flight fame, who, as a news cable announces today, has refused a number of offers of financial assistance, including an annuity from a fund of \$2,000,000.

SEAPLANE MISSING.

FALLS INTO SEA OFF SOURABAYA.

Batavia, June 2.

Three naval seaplanes flew out from Sourabaya (Java) and one of them fell into the sea 40 miles from the lightship in the west channel.

The seaplane was carrying a pilot and an observer.

After a whole morning's search by seven seaplanes and two warships the seaplane is not yet found.

POET'S CORNER.

IS LOVE SO BLIND?

[Another reply to "P. T. D."]
If love is so blind
As 'tis told,
It might be unkind
To be bold,
And ask why the heck
Young An't,
With shave down the neck,
All complete,
And dainty silk hose,
Mostly shown,
Combined with a nose
All her own
Has got it quite bad
So 'twould seem.
The innocent lad
He's a dream;
His knock-knees and squint
Might be passed
His faults—but a hint—
Not so fast—
He's dollars most choice
At the bank
And one smart Rolls Royce
Down the rank.

W. J. K.

MURDER OF SOVIET MINISTER.

DEMONSTRATIONS IN RUSSIA.

Berlin, June 9.

According to a message from Warsaw, the Polish Government's reply to the Soviet Note with regard to the murder of Volkov is couched in conciliatory terms.

It disclaims any responsibility for the murder, and points out that Volkov repeatedly refused police protection. The reply agrees with the Russian demand that a representative of the Russian Legation should attend the trial of the murderer, but only as a representative of the widow, to whom the Polish Government is prepared to pay compensation.—*Reuter.*

Childish Absurdities.

London, June 9.

Fantastic allegations of British complicity in terrorist plots are contained in a Soviet communique issued to-day, which has caused mild amusement.

The message is published in the newspapers in full, with appropriate headlines.

The absurd character of the communique is sufficiently indicated in a passage which declares that Britain's hand in the Warsaw assassination can be clearly seen.—*British Wireless.*

Hate of Britain.

Warsaw, June 9.

Further arrests have been effected of Russian Monarchists and ex-officers of Denikin's and Wrangel's armies, at Bialystok, Grodno, Brest-Litovsk, and Slonim.

Reports from Russia indicate that nearly all the demonstrations in Russia resulting from the death of Volkov are directed against Britain and not against Poland.—*Reuter.*

MALAYA'S NEW GOVERNOR.

CEREMONIAL ARRIVAL AT SINGAPORE.

After an absence of twenty-four years from Malaya, His Excellency Sir Hugh Clifford, G.C.M.G., G.B.E., returned last Friday, to Singapore, to take up the highest post the country has to offer—that of Governor of the Straits Settlements and High Commissioner of the Malay States.

The happiest auspices attended the ceremonies connected with the installation of the new Governor in Singapore, and Sir Hugh made notable speeches in which he testified to his happiness at returning. "This is the first time," he said, "that I have taken up any office with a light heart."

Replying to letters of welcome presented by representatives of the Rulers of the Malay States His Excellency spoke in fluent Malay, a language which comes as readily to him now, says the *Straits Times*, as when he was on service in Pahang in his early days.

CLAN FIGHT.

HOKLOS AND PUNTIS.

A small clan fight took place in Connaught Road West yesterday as a result of which five men, two Hoklos and three Puntis were charged with disorderly conduct before Major C. Willson this morning.

One of the men went to the Charge Room in the Central Police Station yesterday to make a report of the fight. The Inspector recognised him as an old offender, having previously been concerned in street fights, and he was detained.

Amongst the five men charged was one who pleaded that he was not engaged in fighting but in separating the combatants. The Magistrate believed him and discharged him. The other four were bound over in personal bonds of \$50 each to be of good behaviour for six months.

SURGEON'S ENTERPRISE.

REMARKABLE OPERATION ATTEMPTED.

London, May 13.—A remarkable operation is being attempted by the surgeons of Hull Royal Infirmary, who are endeavouring to replace a scalp which was torn from the head of a manageress of the steam laundry when her hair became entangled in the machinery.

Since the operation the front portion of the scalp has already reattached itself to the head.

DAY BY DAY.

The Eastern Extension Telegraph Company cable ship, the Cable, arrived from Manila this morning.

The Harbour Office Reports for the past 24 hours gave 16 arrivals and 11 departures, of which six and two were British, leaving 69 vessels in harbour, 29 British.

In commemoration of the fourth centenary of the birth of Portugal's famous poet, Luis de Camoens, to-day is a Portuguese national holiday. British warships in harbour did honour to the occasion by dressing ship and firing a salute at noon.

A departmental enquiry into the circumstances of the collision between Police Launch No. 5 and the Military launch Tommy Atkins, was held at the Harbour Office this morning by Lieut. Commr. G. F. Hole. The proceedings were private.

POLICE WHIST DRIVE.

IN AID OF CHILDREN'S LEAGUE.

A successful whist drive, organised by Mrs. W. Kent, Mrs. R. Marks and Mrs. C. F. Alexander, was held at the Police Recreation Club last night in aid of the police branch of the Ministering Children's League.

About 20 tables were occupied, the prize winners being:—

Ladies—1, Mrs. S. Saunders (183); 2, Mrs. Glendinning (170); 3, Mrs. Hunt (169); 4, Mrs. Hynes (131).

Gentlemen—1, Mr. Reynolds (171); 2, Mr. Dyer (173); 3, Mr. Grimmett (169); 4, Mr. Hynes (127).

The duties of M. C. were discharged by Messrs. P. Condon, W. Hollands, and A. Chapman.

At the conclusion, Chief Inspector W. Kent thanked the donors of prizes and the ladies who had supplied and superintended the refreshments.

COOLIE'S DEATH.

BOTH LEGS CRUSHED AT SUGAR REFINERY.

Sitting as Coroner, Major C. Willson yesterday investigated the death of a Chinese who died in the Government Civil Hospital on May 27, having been admitted four weeks previously in a critical condition.

On April 29 two coolies were engaged in cleaning a tank in the Taikoo Sugar Refinery. The tank contained machinery which could be set in motion by a lever situated at the top of the tank.

In order to get out of the tank it was necessary for the coolies to climb, and it is said that at the time of the accident, the coolies in climbing out, set the machinery in motion by accidentally laying their hands on the lever. One of them had a leg broken while the deceased had both legs smashed.

A foreman who came to the scene on hearing shouts of "Save life" emanating from the tank, quickly stopped the machinery and, when assistance arrived, extracted the two coolies. The deceased was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital the same night and after remaining in a critical condition for some time, fell victim to gangrene and pneumonia, which caused his death.

The jury returned a verdict of accidental death and added a rider to the effect that the Taikoo Sugar Refinery should, if possible, provide an exit in the tank away from the lever that starts the machinery.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the *Daily Express*.

Answers, for those who need them, will be found on Page 12 of this issue.

1.—What is an Albino?

2.—Who originated macadamised roads?

3.—What fly carries one of the deadliest of tropical diseases?

4.—What was the last word of Charles I.?

5.—Who wrote the verses beginning, "My mind to me a kingdom is"?

6.—What was the 'Salle Law'?

7.—Who was Becky Sharp?

8.—What is a Bireme?

9.—Who was responsible for the phrase, "Hell is paved with good intentions"?

10.—What was the origin of the income-tax?

11.—Who was Fuller Pileh?

12.—What was called the "Mad Parliament"?

13.—When was the battle of Mount Badon fought?

14.—What is the real name of Maxim Gorky?

15.—What are "Mother Carey's Chickens"?

SHANSI'S ROLE.

(Continued from Page 1.)

feng and Peking. In a word, he has again changed his colours from red to whatever hue Chiang Kai-shek prefers.

A Victory of Politics.

The success of the Nationalist army against the Shantung army has not been a victory of arms but of politics. No army could have walked from Pukow to Pengpu against such a well-equipped force and won a victory unless there were other than military factors in the situation. General Chang Tsung-chang is despised in Shantung; he is disliked by every other leader in the Fengtien party; and he is constantly being betrayed by his own men. Nobody wants him and his failure is as much a relief to the Fengtien group as it is to Nanking. General Yang Yu-ting is particularly delighted with his "loss of face," because they have opposed each other in the councils of Chang Tso-lin and everything that Yang Yu-ting prophesied has happened. Therefore, Yang Yu-ting is a great man in Mukden. He is now openly in favour of an alliance with Chiang Kai-shek on an anti-Communist basis. There was some misunderstanding over General Gallen, as someone had informed Yang Yu-ting that Gallen was still in Nanking, which shocked his sense of the fitness of things. But, as General Gallen has never been in Nanking, the atmosphere was easily clarified and the delegates of mutual self-interest were more successful in their suggestions of co-operative action against Hankow and Feng Yu-shiang.

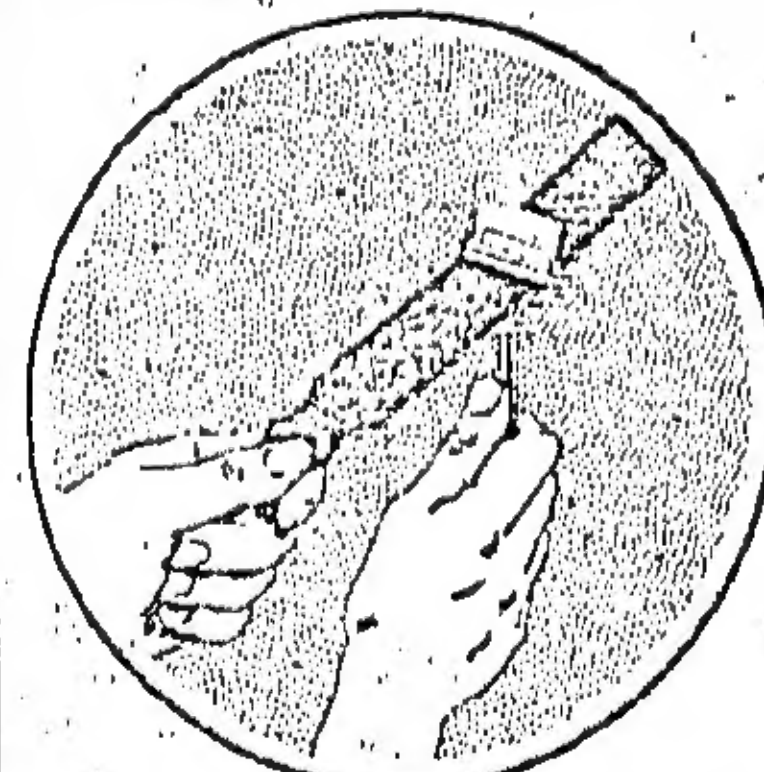
War to be Short and Sweet.

The alliance then between Nanking, Yang Yu-ting, and Shansi is apparently progressing and the prospects are that the war will be short and sweet and limited principally to Honan. The northern allies want General Chang Kai-shek to attack Hankow, which involves political difficulties within the Kuomintang, as there are still friends in Hankow, like Mrs. Sun Yat-sen, Tan Yen-kai, Sun Fo, and Wang Ching-wei, whom it would be bad taste to bombard. But it may not come to that, for if Hankow finds itself deserted, it will not be in a position to finance generals to fight for it against the greater combination of its enemies. And even his enemies will admit that Marshal Feng Yu-shiang is not so wedded to Soviet Russia that he can never be opposed to that country.

BIG OPIUM CARGO.

REVENUE OFFICERS' HAUL AT SINGAPORE.

Having in the morning discovered about 5,000 taibis of Chinese opium on the steamer Antung, which arrived from Amoy on Wednesday, Mr. Listerman, acting Head of the Preventive Service, and a party of revenue officers paid another visit to the ship on Tuesday night last, and in the forward part of the vessel discovered a further 10,000 taibis, valued at about \$90,000.



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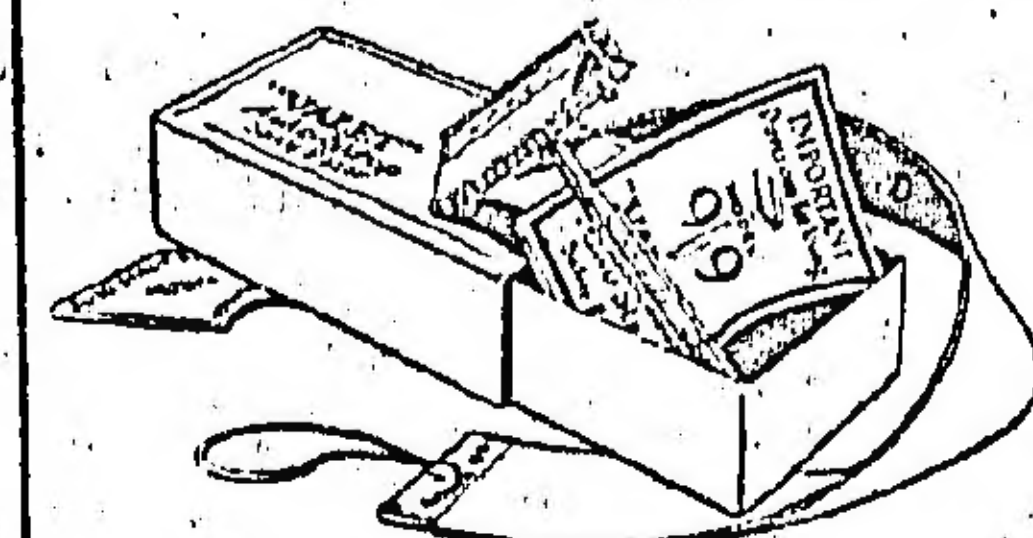
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VILLAGE SOCIAL LIFE.

PLEA FOR NEW "MERRIE ENGLAND."

Lord Salisbury presided at a conference of the Hertfordshire Rural Community Council at Hatfield recently on the subject of the development of village social life. There were representatives present of about 90 different towns, villages, and parish councils in the county.

Lord Salisbury said that, in the past, village life was everything. England then was full of vigorous, cheerful villages. Then came the industrial revolution, when everybody began to flock to the cities. Now they were beginning to see the start of a great reaction. There was springing up around them a new interest in rural life and in everything that belonged to the countryside. The movement under whose auspices they were meeting was a witness to that fact. It was trying to encourage a state of affairs which would be better for the race and for the future of the country.

When they looked at the great problems which beset them in the cities, they realized how much they had lost by losing their touch with country life. "Merrie England" the country used to be called; let it be "Merrie England" again. They were encouraged to hope that they were on the right road. He remembered when he was young there was very little which went on in the country in the way of recreation and amusement, save a few penny readings, but now there were dances, concerts, lectures, and fetes, and even pageants to remind them of the past and make them enjoy the present.

THEOSOPHISTS' CENTRE.

COLONY IN LARGE HOUSES.

A community of Theosophists, which was started on Wimbledon Common, S.W., a year ago by Mr. E. L. Gardner, general secretary of the Theosophical Society in England, has attracted members of the society from various parts of London, and now there are some 50 people living in large houses round the Common.

Those who first went to Wimbledon, with the declaration that they had high ideals, took Stamford Lodge, a large house on the west side of the Common, and near the home of Muriel, Countess de la Warr—mother of the present earl—who has been a prominent Theosophist for many years.

Later another large house next door, known as the Hermitage, was taken, and now a third, the Poplar, has been secured. Other members of the society have taken houses near.

It was in one of these houses on the Common that the young Hindu, J. Krishnamurti, who has been described as the New Messiah, stayed when he came to England last year, and it is to one of them that Miss Annie Besant, the president of the society and Protector of the Order of the Star of the East, will go when she visits England shortly.

Theosophy is defined by the Oxford Dictionary as any speculative system basing knowledge of nature on intuition or traditional knowledge of God, especially that known as "esoteric Buddhism" and represented as the essential truth of which historic religions are imperfect expressions.

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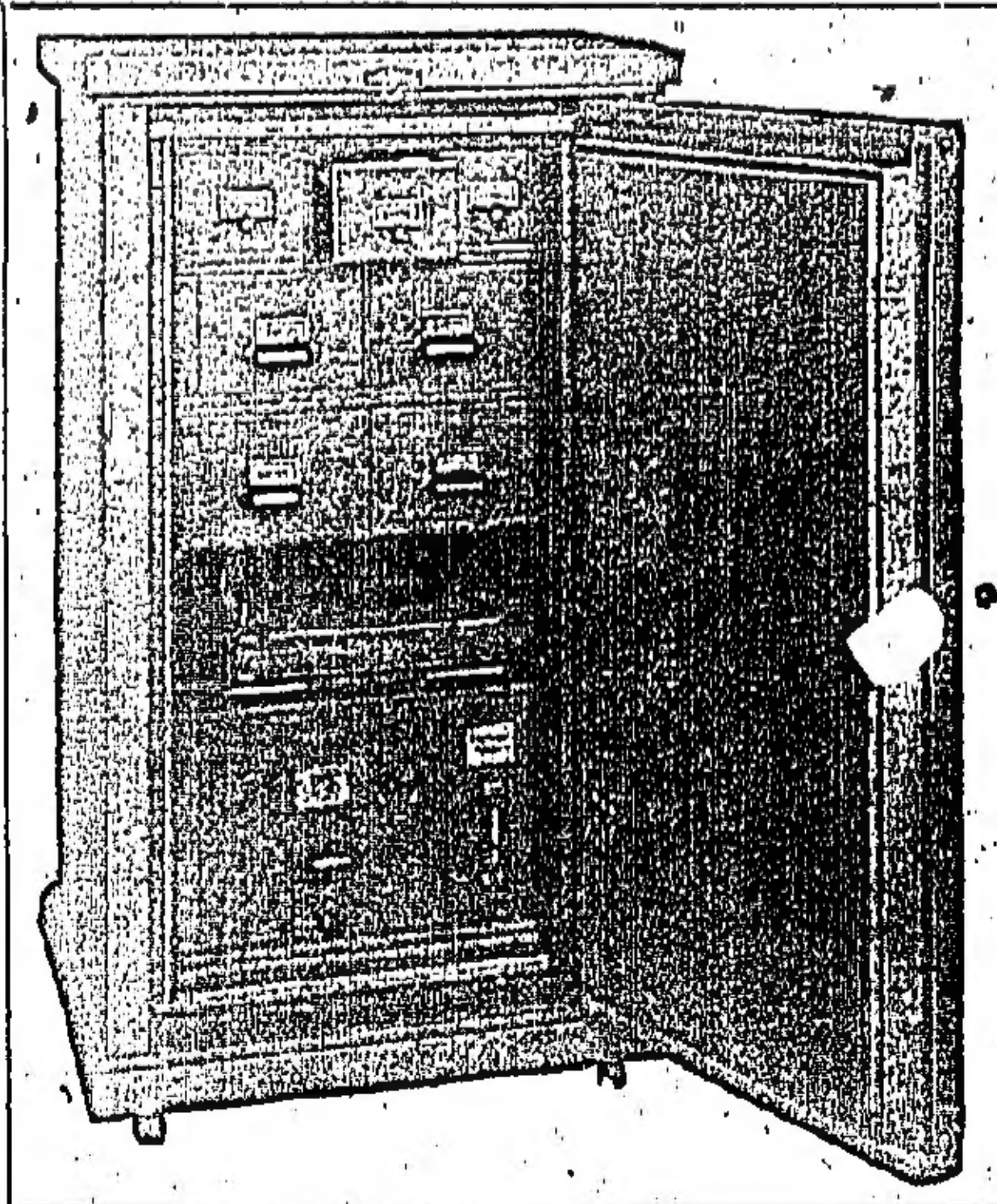
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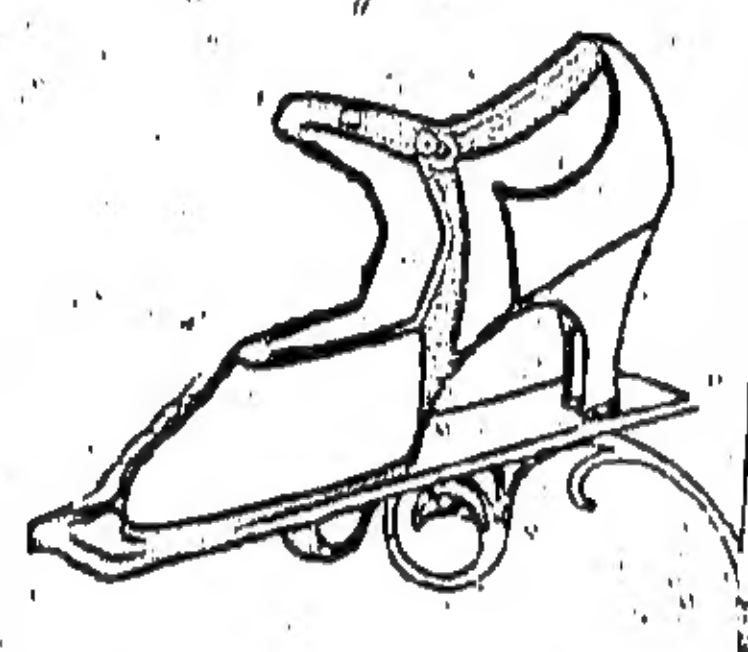
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**BIG SHANGHAI
BURGLARY.**

HAUL-WORTH TIS. 50,000.

One of the most clever night robberies and one involving one of the biggest amounts ever to take place in Shanghai was committed in the show rooms of the Shanghai Guide Association, room 312, Robert Dollar Building, 8, Canton Road, late on Saturday night or early on Sunday morning. The amount of the goods stolen, consisting of irreplaceable antiques, jades, silks and furs amounts to in the neighbourhood of Tis. 50,000.

The robbery was first detected when a coolie walked into the place and found the floor littered with less-valuable and heavier pieces, which the robbers could not or would not take away. It was immediately reported to Mr. Vaughan Read, the president of the association, who had the police detectives on the trail within an hour. Several finger prints have been secured, as well as other detecting marks.

Suspicion in the robbery points to either employees or former employees of the company. According to Mr. Vaughan Read, one of them is a former clerk who went "Ningpo" more far some time ago, and who was at that time said to be defaulting because of gambling debts.

Police observations point to the fact that the building was entered from a closed alleyway on the Bund side of the Dollar Building, the iron gate of which was secured by a lock. This lock had been sawed off and the gate opened, after which the robbers mounted a fire escape, broke a window opening into the room containing the valuables, and entered.

Their first objective seems to have been a safe containing about \$15,000 worth of jade pieces, including 29 jade necklaces, 42 pendants, eight ring settings, as well as five old amber necklaces and about G\$500.

After this they went to a large, unlocked wooden chest, where the valuable silks were kept.

From this they took one fine imperial piece of embroidery, said to be from the former imperial Palace, 18 feet by six feet; a set of three imperial pieces, said to have belonged to the late Empress Dowager, 103 inches by 65 inches; two pieces of Russian sable, 86 by 40 inches; 12 picked sable skins mounted for neck pieces.

All Ready for Shipment.

In another part of the suite they found and took a beautiful dog skin with head mounted, one tiger skin with the head mounted, two leopard skins with the heads mounted, 58 Canton shawls, 24 Canton scarfs, 10 silk kimonos, 14 embroidered silk skirts, four sets to two-pieces each of embroidered panels, three pairs of jade trees, 263 pieces of Nanking silk tapestry, 17 strings of crystal beads, two old pieces of inlaid mother-of-pearl table screens, and 275 jade and silk tassels.

In all, there are said to have been more than 800 pounds of silks stolen, a great deal of which is irreplaceable. Many of the silks and skins were ready for shipment to America and it is said that it will take months to replace them.

On the other hand the robbers left some of the most priceless pieces, such as the Buddhas ranging in price from G\$10 to G\$5,000, leading to the belief that the robbery was committed by men, who confined their activities to commercial dealings.

Amongst the other things left was an ebony chest, valued at G\$5,000, said to have been purchased from Lord Li and received by him from his grandfather, Li Hung-chang, after having been given to the latter by the late Empress Dowager. Also several beautiful screens which came through the same source.

None of the stolen property was insured, according to Mr. Read.

FALL OF TROY.SPECTACULAR FILM AT THE
WORLD.

A spectacular film, emanating from German sources, dealing with one of the most famous of Greek romances, the love story of Paris and Helen, "The Fall of Troy," the first episode of which is now showing at the World Theatre, is a picture which should not be missed.

It is full of remarkably effective scenes, including a striking photographic illusion when Paris is visited in a dream and made the judge of the fairest between Hera, Athena, and Aphrodite; the destruction of statues by thunderbolts; and the sea fight with which the first part of the story ends. The acting is excellent, and the photography good. Many of the scenes are laid in wonderful open country.

PRISONERS FLEE.ESCAPE FROM SHANGHAI
POLICE STATION.

Six men detained in the Wayside police station cells at Shanghai, in connexion with crimes committed in the French Concession and International Settlement, broke gaol between 3 and 4 o'clock last Monday morning and escaped.

The affair was first found out by the sergeant on charge room duty when he went to make the routine calls to the cells before turning over the watch to the next sergeant at four o'clock, but by that time the men had got clean away.

Later investigations brought to light the fact that the men had taken a piece of wire from one of the receptacles in the cell and picked the lock. Walking out, they evidently vaulted a high, stone wall and made good their escapes.

The cells from which the escape was effected, is the smaller tier part from the cells in the main part of the building. This in itself made it easier for them to escape without detection.

Two of the men who escaped were sent over to the Settlement from the French Concession only a few days ago to be tried before the Provisional Court on charges of armed robbery. The other four were being held for smaller crimes committed in the Settlement.

FILIPINO FLIGHT.

MANILA PACIFIC CONTENDER

The Curtis Airplane Company of Buffalo, N. Y., has been asked to donate a plane for the use of Donato Halili, Manila's young and enthusiastic birdman.

According to an Associated Press dispatch received in Manila Commissioner Pedro Guevara at Washington, has written the Curtis people asking for the plane. Mr. Guevara stated that he believes Halili to be daring and capable and that if given a proper chance, he would accomplish something definite in the way of promoting aviation.

The Associated Press dispatch further stated that Major General Mason M. Patrick, chief of the army air service, told Mr. Guevara that official rules prevented placing an army plane at Mr. Halili's disposal.

Interest in the flight proposed by Halili spread among citizens of Manila yesterday. Donato, himself, was grateful for the efforts being made by Commissioner Guevara to secure a plane for him.

"I have hopes," he said last night, "that a plane will be secured. I hope so. I want to make the attempt and I believe that it will be successful."

Would Be Big Boost.

Vicente T. Fernandez, president of the Philippine Chamber of Commerce stated that he was in favour of the flight inasmuch as it would mean a big boost for the islands.

OUR SILENT MINISTER.LEAVES SHANGHAI IN
H.M.S. KEPPEL.

Sir Miles Lampson, H.M. Minister, and his staff left for Peking on Saturday at 8 a.m. aboard H.M.S. Keppel in accordance with plans which were made some time ago. His departure probably was in no way due to the movement of events in the North, as for a week it had been freely reported that he would leave Shanghai on Saturday.

While in Shanghai, Sir Miles attended only two public functions, a reception at the British Consulate and the Torchlight Tattoo on Friday night. He made no speeches and gave no interviews to the press. Whatever he had to say to individuals were not divulged either by the individuals to whom the statements were made or by Sir Miles Lampson's staff for publication and it is understood with substantial correctness the visit was due to a desire for a conference with other British officials who were unable to leave their posts in Shanghai and the Yangtze Valley and for first hand information on the situation in these parts of China.

Did Not Meet Dr. C. C. Wu.

Previous to his arrival here, it was understood that Sir Miles would discuss political questions with General Chiang Kai-shek and Dr. C. C. Wu. Although General Chiang came to Shanghai to attend the memorial services in honour of his one-time chief, General Chen Chi-mei, he only remained 24 hours and left before Sir Miles arrived. Sir Miles did not call on Dr. C. C. Wu and no conference was held between them. Sir Miles, however, did meet other prominent Chinese. It is an open secret that the failure of Dr. C. C. Wu and Sir Miles Lampson to meet was the failure of the Nanking Government to reply to the copy of the Nanking Note which had been presented to General Chiang Kai-shek. It had been anticipated that a reply to this Note might be made while Sir Miles was in Shanghai, but this did not eventuate.

"I cannot tell what the Chamber of Commerce will decide," he said. "If the proposed flight continues to gain interest, I shall see that the matter is submitted to the board of directors."

Ramon Fernandez, one of Manila's leading financiers, was approached on the proposed flight question, but had little to say.

"I know but little concerning what Halili intends doing," he stated, "so I cannot give an opinion at present. I shall study the case."

The American Chamber of Commerce will discuss the proposed flight at the next meeting of the board of directors.

OFFICERS ENTERTAINED.THEATRICALS AT LEE
GARDENS.

There was an attendance of well over two thousand, including His Excellency the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., and Lady Clementi, at Lee Theatre last evening, when the Yan Shau Min Company gave a Chinese theatrical performance entitled "The Betrothal of Liu Pei," taken from "The Romance of the Three Kingdoms." The entertainment was arranged by the Hongkong Corps of the St. John Ambulance Brigade for the benefit of the naval and military officers now in the Colony.

Previous to His Excellency's arrival at the theatre a reception was held at Government House when there were present:—His Excellency Sir Cecil and Lady Clementi, Captain C. H. Steele, Mr. B. R. Forster, Sir Shou-son and Lady Chow, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Kom-tong, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hy-san, Mr. and Mrs. Mok Kom-sang, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Ki, and Messrs. Yung Tse Ming, Ma Tsol-chul, Leung Pat-yue, Ip Lau-chuen, Li Yau-chuen, Li Hoi-tung, Lo Chung-sze, E. Ralphs, A. Morris and others interested in the work of the St. John Ambulance Brigade in Hongkong.

The Yan Shau Min Company has attained great popularity among the Chinese in Hongkong, Canton and Macao, and the "all star" caste, of which it is composed, made a very effective presentation. Brightness was added to the surroundings by the coloured lighting arrangements, and the stage was attractively set for the occasion.

Among those present were officers from H.M.S. ships in harbour, also officers from nearly every military unit in the colony and many residents. The following members of the Brigade were also present:—Commissioner:—Mr. E. Ralphs, District Superintendent Mr. A. Morris, Corps Superintendent, Messrs. Ho Kom Tung and G. W. C. Burnett, Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Ho Kwong, Mr. T. K. Chak (Y. M. C. A. Division), Mr. F. K. Ewart (King's College Division), Mr. Ng Hon Sang (Mongkok Division) Mr. Hon Yuk Fai (Kowloon Division) Mr. S. H. Chung (St. Joseph's Division) and Mr. A. H. Rumjahn (Indian Division). The following who are surgeons to the Brigade were also present: Dr. D. J. Valentine, Dr. S. F. Lee, Dr. B. C. Wong, Dr. L. S. Shin, Dr. K. S. Shin, Dr. Arthur Woo, and Dr. E. M. Minnett of the Victoria Nursing Division.

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July 13	Seattle	Broughlin	Aug. 10	C'brg-S'hmptn Aug 11
July 17	San Francisco	Levinthal	Aug. 20	P'mth-C'brg Aug 26
July 20	Seattle	Apollonia	Aug. 24	C'brg-S'hmptn Aug 28
Aug. 2	San Francisco	Majestic	Sept. 3	C'brg-S'hmptn Sept. 9
Aug. 10	Seattle	Apollonia	Sept. 6	P'mth-C'brg Sept. 12
Aug. 16	San Francisco	Majestic	Sept. 17	C'brg-S'hmptn Sept. 23
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THE VOLUNTEERS.

ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

No. 280, Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps. Orders by Lieut. Colonel L. C. Bird, D.S.O., Administrative Commandant.

Hongkong, June 10.
1.—Recruits Parades on Tuesday. All Recruits are required to pass Musketry Standard Tests Nos. 1 to 4 immediately and will parade every Tuesday at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. until this has been completed. Any Recruit who has passed all four tests and had his card initiated by an officer need not attend further Recruits Parades until 1st Tuesday in September next.

2.—Casuals.

Musketry Part I. will be fired at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, 12th June, 1927.
Range Officer: 2/Lieut. M. G. Noll.

This is the last opportunity for members of the Corps who have not yet completed Part I. to do so. Members must fire on the above date to qualify for efficiency. Lunch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.
Dress: Uniform or mufti optional, but rifle, bayonet, pouches, braces and belt must be taken. Arms will be drawn from Corps Headquarters to-day, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, on 2 and 4 p.m. or 5 and 6 p.m., and on Saturday, 11th June, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

3.—Signal Class.

Trained Men of No. 4 Platoon and those attending Signal Class from other units will parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, 16th June, under 2/Lieut. M. G. Noll. Dress: Mufti.

4.—Engineer Company.

The Miniature Range at Corps Headquarters is at the disposal of the Engineer Company on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays in each month at 5.30 p.m., except during June when dates will be 15th, 22nd and 29th June, 1927.
Musketry Part I. will be fired at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, 12th June, 1927.

Members of the above Company who have not yet fired are requested to attend. Lunch, etc., as detailed in Order No. 2.

5.—Mounted Infantry Company.

All ranks will parade at Stables on Thursday, 16th June at 5.30 p.m. Dress: Mufti.

6.—Armoured Car Company.

Machine Gunners will parade at Volunteer Headquarters on Monday, 13th June at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction.

All N.C.O.s will parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, 16th June for Machine Gun Instruction.

Motor Cycle Section will parade at Volunteer Headquarters on Monday, 13th June at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction, under 2/Lieut. J. E. Hancock. Dress: Mufti.

7.—Infantry Company.

On Fridays, 17th and 24th June at 5.30 p.m., all N.C.O.s and other ranks as detailed by O.C. Company will parade at Volunteer Headquarters for a special N.C.O.s course of training in "Vickers Gun." The classes will continue to assemble every Friday at 5.30 p.m.

8.—No. 4 Platoon.

Casuals Musketry Part I. will be fired at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, 12th June. Range Officer: 2/Lt. Noll.
Lunch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m. Dress and Arms as detailed in Order No. 2.

9.—Scottish Company.

Tuesday, 14th June. Special Vickers Gun Class. The following Officers N.C.O.s and men will parade every Tuesday at 5.30 p.m. at Volunteer Headquarters for class of Machine Gun Training. This will be the commencement of a course of special classes in Vickers Machine Gun Instruction.

Headquarters: Capt. D. C. Logan, M. C., and Lt. K. S. Morrison.

No. 5 Platoon: Ptes. G. R. Maskell and J. A. Watson.
No. 6 Platoon: Pres. J. J. Cameron, H. G. Cooper and C. R. Logan.
No. 7 Platoon: Cpl. T. P. Sanderson, L/Cpls. R. C. Sutherland, and D. Lyon and Pte. D. Harvey.

Thursday, 16th June at 5.30 p.m.
All Platoons Vickers Gun Instruction at Platoon Headquarters. Members of the Company are again reminded that rifle, belt and bayonet are to be worn on all parades irrespective of the nature thereof. Platoon Commanders will see that 5 minutes squad or arms drill and 5 minutes musketry muscle exercise are carried out at the close of all parades.

10.—Portuguese Company.

The Company will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, 10th June for Lewis Gun Instruction. Overall to be drawn from Store.
Sunday, 19th June. Casuals Part I Musketry will be fired at Peak Range by those specially detailed by C. S. M. Rodriguez.

Firing commences 9 a.m. Last car up 8.30 a.m.
Rendezvous at Peak Terminus. Dress, Mufti, belt, braces, pouches and frog. Rifles and bayonets to be drawn from Corps headquarters on Friday, 17th June, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m., and on Saturday, 18th June, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

11.—Kirkpatrick Cup.

The results of the Kirkpatrick Reconnaissance Cup Scheme is shown

CRICKET.

AUSTRALIANS v. SINGAPORE.
The following are the scores in the match between the Australians and Singapore:

Australian XI.	
W. M. Woodfull, l.b.w., b Braddell	16
E. R. Mayne, c Frankis, b Braddell	0
C. G. Macartney, c Gilmour, b Lejassius	32
R. Bardley, b Gilmour	18
T. J. E. Andrews, run out	30
W. A. Oldfield, not out	101
E. F. Rofs, l.b.w., b Bartels	1
S. C. Everett, st. Frankis, b Retnam	1
E. W. Adams, b Retnam	0
J. Sullivan, l.b.w., b Bartels	39
H. S. Gamble, b Retnam	11
Extras	20
Total	281

Bowling.

Retnam, three for 25; Braddell, two for 64; Bartels, two for 64; Lejassius, one for 32; Gilmour, one for 70.	
Singapore—1st Innings.	
Capt. C. H. Congdon, c and b Everett	10
Lt. C. H. Taylor, b Macartney	0
G. F. Murphy, l.b.w., b Macartney	18
H. Bartels, b Macartney	19
T. Lejassius, c Oldfield, b Everett	1
R. L. L. Braddell, b Everett	1
B. Brooke, c Adams, b Everett	1
N. H. P. Whitley, c Oldfield, b Gamble	25
T. E. K. Retnam, b Everett	18
Lt. J. E. Frankis, not out	0
G. Gilmour, c Sullivan, b Macartney	9
Extras	1
Total	101

Bowling.

S. C. Everett, five for 45; C. G. Macartney, four for 38; J. Sullivan, none for 13; H. S. Gamble, one for 4.	
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Singapore—2nd Innings.

Capt. C. H. Congdon, b Everett	4
Lt. C. H. Taylor, b Everett	4
G. F. Murphy, b Everett	6
T. Lejassius, st. Oldfield, b Andrews	36
R. L. L. Braddell, run out	13
B. Brooke, c Bardley, b Andrews	1
N. H. P. Whitley, c Macartney, b Andrews	14
Lt. J. E. Frankis, c Mayne, b Andrews	0
H. Bartels, b Everett	1
T. E. K. Retnam, b Everett	3
A. Gilmour, not out	7
Extras	7
Total	89

Bowling.

Everett, five for 22; Macartney, none for 9; Andrews, four for 36; Adams, none for 15.	
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ROUMANIA'S KING.

DEATH EXPECTED IN A FEW DAYS.

Bukharest, June 9.
The king is in a very critical condition and his death is expected in a few days.—Reuter.

JAPANESE VESSEL SEIZED.

CAPTAIN SHOT AND SERIOUSLY INJURED.

Tokyo, June 9.
The Government has decided to file a protest with the Soviet Ambassador against the seizure of a Japanese fishing vessel off Kamchatka, the captain of which shot and seriously injured.

Though the vessel was not operating within the three mile limit, the Soviet contends that the action was justified as it insists that Russian territorial waters extend twelve miles from the coast.—Reuter.

FRENCH FINANCE.

CONSOLIDATION LOAN TO BE ISSUED.

Paris, June 9.
Le Matin announces that M. Poincare will shortly issue a Consolidation Loan devoted to the absorption of surplus bank notes, consequent on the decrease in the amount in circulation of national defence bonds.

The value of the notes which could be withdrawn from circulation without damage to commercial needs is estimated at ten billion francs.

Parliament would afterwards be requested to reduce, to the same extent, the legal limit of advances of the Bank of France to the treasury and the bank should call in and cancel an equal amount of notes.—Havas.

THE SWATOW DISASTER.

ARRESTS OF SHIPPING MANAGERS ORDERED.

Swatow, June 8.
The authorities here have ordered the arrest of the two managers of the Tai Hing s.s. Co. whose vessel the Tai Hing turned turtle two days ago while approaching Swatow, resulting in the loss of a number of lives.

The charge against these two men is that their steamer was licensed to carry 350 passengers, while they carried 800 on the unfortunate trip.

The charitable institutions in Swatow and Kityang have sent a large number of coffins to the scene of the disaster and according to latest information to hand some 170 corpses have been recovered.

EGYPTIAN COTTON.

SEVEN COUNTRIES REPRESENTED ON COMMITTEE.

London, June 9.
The International Committee of the Federation of Cotton Manufacturers' Associations have determined on the appointment of the Egyptian Joint Committee in accordance with the resolution adopted by the International Congress in Egypt to deal with questions connected with Egyptian cotton, namely England (three representatives), France, Germany and Italy (one each), Switzerland and Czechoslovakia will share a member and Egypt will have seven members.—Reuter.

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CHAMPAGNE BATH.

EARL CARROLL GOES TO PRISON.

Atlanta, Georgia, June 9.
The well known New York theatrical producer Earl Carroll, who was sent to hospital at Granville after a collapse aboard a train when he was travelling from New York to a prison here was carried on a stretcher into the Federal penitentiary here to serve his sentence of a year's imprisonment for perjury in connexion with the Grand Jury investigation of the theatrical party in which a bath tub and a chorus girl figured.—Reuter's American Service.

AMERICA'S WEALTH.

NATIONAL INCOME REACHES NEW PEAK.

New York, June 9.
According to a survey by the National Industrial Conference, the United States reached the new peak of 78,649,000,000 dollars in 1926, compared with 77,313,000,000 in 1925.—Reuter's American Service.

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INVESTIGATION INTO RUSSIAN MONARCHIST ACTIVITIES.

Warsaw, June 9.

The authorities and the press are most upset at Volkov's assassination, which they deeply condemn. The former has ordered a number of arrests, including the Polish representative of the Grand Duke Nicholas and a prominent Russian emigrant, and are carrying out searches with the view to ascertaining whether Russian monarchist circles are concerned in the crime.

The Editor of a Russian paper at Vilna has been arrested for appealing for funds to engage counsel to defend Kowceda. The latter was recently given Polish citizenship as he was born in Polish territory.—*Reuter.*

Demonstration of Protest.

Moscow, June 9.

From three in the afternoon until late in the evening processions officially estimated at several hundreds of thousands passed before the Foreign Affairs' Commissariat demonstrating a protest against the murder of M. Volkov. The Polish Legation in Vorovsky Street was strongly guarded.

Demonstrations were held in other cities and resolutions were passed emphasising the "close connection of the murder of M. Volkov with the anti-Soviet police of Britain."—*Reuter.*

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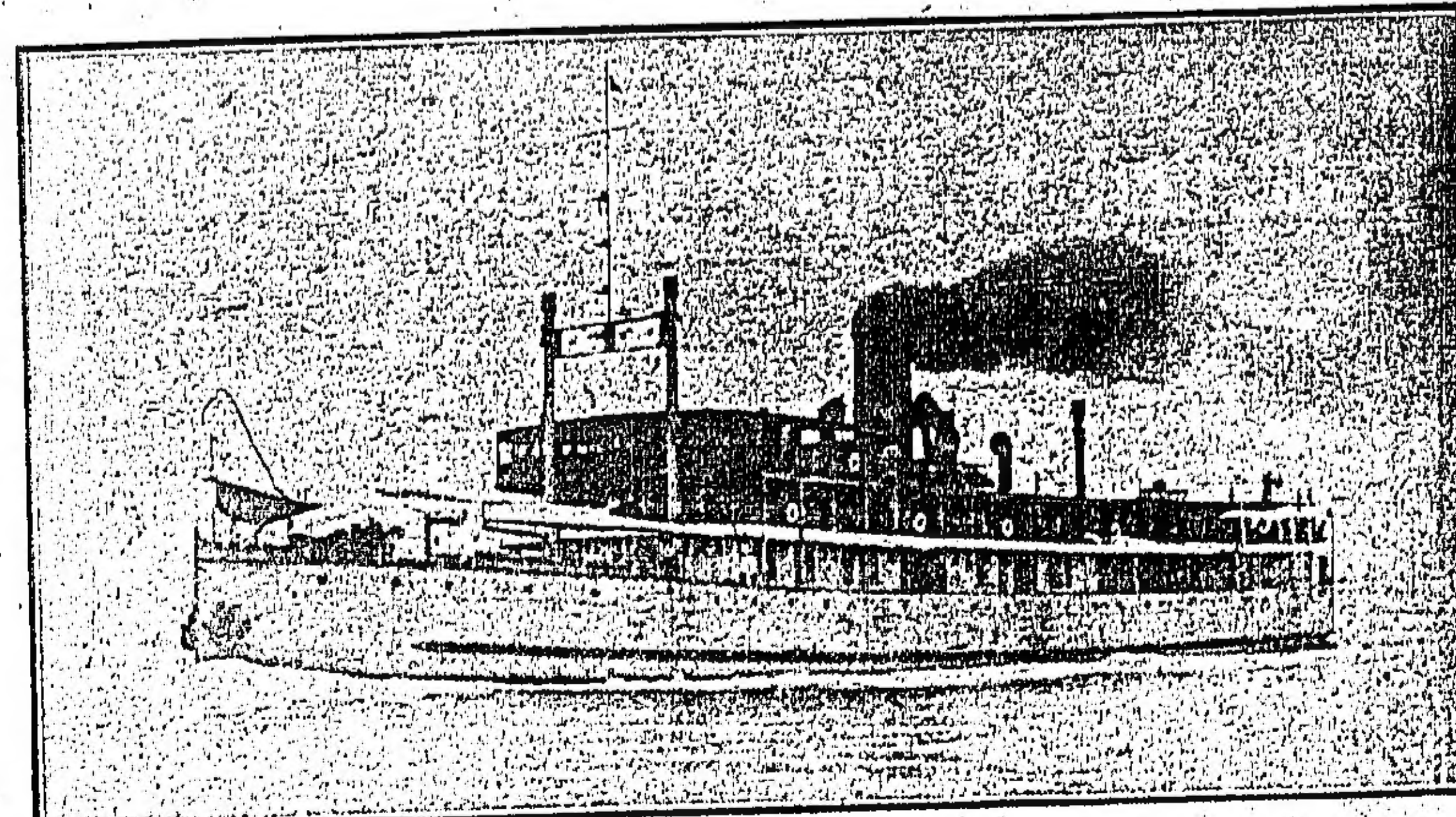
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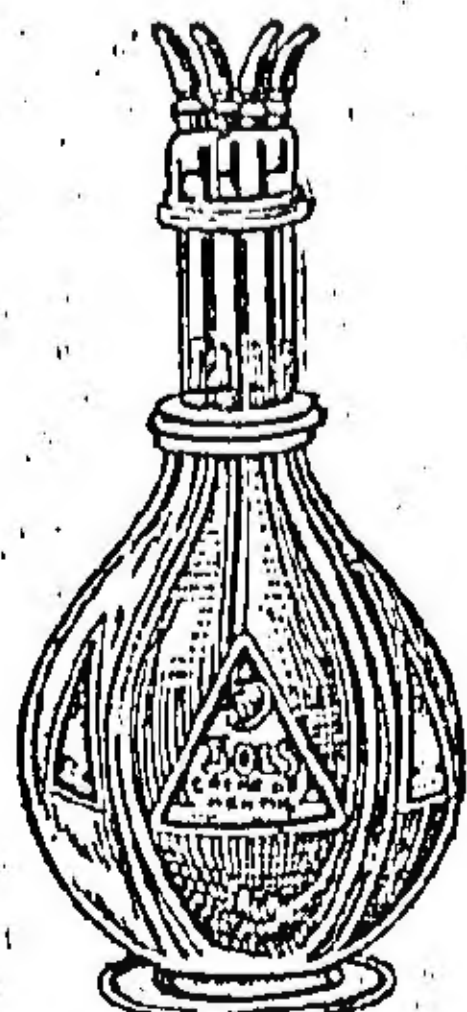
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PROVINCIAL FINANCE.

Representative Conference.

Canton, June 9.

Telegraphic instructions received from the Nanking Government, yesterday, have it that the Minister of Finance, Mr. Koo Ying-fan, has called a general conference to work out definite plans for reforming the financial administration. The finance commissioners, the salt commissioners, and other finance officials of the provinces of Kiangsu, Chekiang, Anhwei, Yunnan, Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Yunnan, Kweichow, and Szechuen, which are under the jurisdiction of the Nanking Government, have been invited to this conference. The financial officials are also required to submit reports on the financial conditions of the different provinces.

In Anticipation.

The Nanking Kuomintang Headquarters has appointed a special committee for the province of Shantung, which they believe will soon come under Nationalist control. The committee consists of six commissioners, namely, Messrs. Ting Wei-fan, Chen Shun-nan, Yu Yan-poh, Ho Shi-yuan, Chen Yun-hsen, and Wang Chung-pai.

These commissioners have been sent to the Hsuehchow front in order to carry out propaganda among the Shantung population whenever they can.—Nan Chung Pao.

JAPANESE TROOPS.

Their Presence in Shantung Explained.

Peking, June 9.
The Japanese Legation this afternoon replied to the Foreign Office Note stating that the troops were merely to protect Japanese nationals and that their presence was not an aggressive act. In view of the Nanking and Hankow outrages the Japanese Government must hold itself responsible for the protection of its own nationals.—Reuter.

ANHUI BATTLES.

Fugitives and Others.

Chengyangkuan, An, May 26.—Since the great Southern retreat on April 16, the Northerners have been pressing their advantage. They invested Luohowfu, and on the 9th instant took Linancho. Although this was a Southern base, and strongly occupied, almost no resistance was offered. The Northerners did not let the grass grow under their feet, but pressed right on southward, presumably toward Anking, says a N. C. Daily News correspondent. But last week many fugitive Northern soldiers came up this way, moving toward Pengpu, and we heard that the siege of Luohowfu had been raised. Letters from Linancho, however, of this week's date, inform us that this is not the case, but that the city is still invested. All the officers of the besieging army have left their wives in Linancho. One would expect accurate information from that quarter.

North's Communications Cut.

Nevertheless a Southern force has appeared in this neighbourhood. The Northerners retired from Showchow and the Southerners entered and took possession without a shot being fired, on Monday, the 23rd instant. Yesterday, Wednesday, the 25th one wing of Southern soldiers entered this city, Chengyangkuan, and took possession, the Northern soldiers in charge having made way for them. This city is important as a customs barrier that yields a large revenue to whoever holds it. There was here at the time a large force from Yingchowfu, moving southward by boat, presumably to take part in the advance on Anking, under Sun Tien-wu, the bandit chief who two years ago sacked Pochow, but who is now a Northern General. These also offered no resistance. Two more wings of Southern soldiers arrived here this morning, but almost immediately left for some objective outside, perhaps following up the retreating Northerners. The man on the street says that the Southerners have also taken Pengpu in much the same way, without serious fighting.

So it appears that while the Northerners have been pressing toward Anking in one direction, and on Pukow in another, the Southerners have sent a force across country and cut the Northern communications in both directions.

DIVISIONS IN FENGTIEN.

Old and New Factions.

Tientsin, June 4.

The Fengtien Army has been divided into two factions, old and new. General Wu Chun-sheng and others who belong to the old faction want to withdraw from this side of Shanhaikuan and preserve peace and order in Manchuria, while the new faction which is led by General Yang Yuting, insists upon maintaining the status quo of the Fengtien Army by compromising with Generals Chiang Kai-shek and Yen Shih-shan. The two factions appear to agree on one point that they should ask Marshal Chang Tso-lin to retire from official life, in view of the present unfavourable situation of the Fengtien Army.

NO RECRUITING.

Nationalist Force Ample.

Gen. Ho Ying-yin, Commander of the 1st Nationalist Army and Commander-in-chief of the Eastern Route Armies, has issued a proclamation forbidding persons to recruit troops in the name of the Nationalist Army while fighting is going on at the front.

Gen. Ho says that at the present time there are more than sufficient men to meet all requirements and, therefore, recruiting is not necessary.

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Chinese Protest Salvoes.

Gen. Yang Hu, Commissioner of the Shanghai and Woosung Gendarmerie, has requested Mr. Quo Tai-chi, Commissioner for Foreign Affairs to lodge a protest with Sir Sidney Barton, H.M. Consul-General, against the firing of salvoes by British cruisers in connexion with King's Birthday celebrations, without first notifying the Chinese authorities.

FOR NANKING.

Officials Leave Shanghai.

Among the Chinese officials leaving Shanghai for Nanking during the past week were Mr. Chen Chun, chief of the Kuomintang Political Council in Shanghai; Gen. Yang Hu, Commissioner of the Shanghai and Woosung Gendarmerie; Gen. Li Ming-chung, a well-known Kuomintang leader who is personal representative in Shanghai for Marshal Feng Yushan; Mr. Y. M. Chien, Vice Minister of Finance in the Nanking Government; and Mr. Chang Shao-yung, Commissioner of Finance for Kiangsu.

KUEICHOW PEACE.

And Yunnan Lawlessness.

Kiukiang.—Your readers will doubtless have read of the murder of Mr. Slichter and little girl by robbers, and the carrying off of Mrs. Slichter, her little boy and Miss Craig, some distance west of Lopinghsien in Yunnan. They were travelling from Anshun in this province on obedience to consular instructions and had an escort of 90 soldiers from Loping, sufficient one would have thought, but the robbers proved too strong. What a contrast to Kueichow where we can travel without escort and meet with no difficulty. There are robbers in Kueichow, but Gen. Chow's reputation makes them more or less afraid to attempt anything very serious.

Farmers want rain for the fields now the rice is sown but during the past few days we have been getting very hot sunshine weather. The rebuilding of the mint, arsenal and paper factory is making good progress but so far no coins have been turned out by the mint. I understand that some of the machinery required has not yet arrived. The motor road building is slowly progressing; Gen. Ma Ming-ling, a Commander of Division, recently returned from Yunnan, has been given control of the "Road Bureau" and has resigned his military command.—N. C. Daily News Correspondent.

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Nagapattam, May 19.
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1. Man, animal, or plant unusually white in colour; 2. John Loudon Macadam, Scottish engineer, who died 1836; 3. African tribes by; 4. "Remember," said to Bishop Juxon; 5. Edward Dyer; 6. Law banning women from the throne of France; 7. Glover adventures in "Vanity Fair"; 8. Ancient galley with two tiers of rowers; 9. Dr. Johnson's 10. A war-tax imposed in 1707; 11. Famous Kent battle; 12. That summoned at Oxford by Simon de Montfort 1264; 13. In 520, when Arthur defeated the Saxons; 14. Maxime Maximovitch Peshkov; 15. Seagulls.

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